

FIX YOUR HOME
FIND HOME IMPROVEMENT
HELP IN CLASSIFIEDS **BACK PAGE**



Windsor Terrace
writer-director
takes home best
U.S. movie from
Arignon/NY fest



BROOKLYN'S REAL NEWSPAPERS

The Brooklyn Paper

Including Brooklyn Heights Paper, Carroll Gardens-Cobble Hill Paper, Downtown News, Fort Greene-Clinton Hill Paper and the DUMBO Paper



Published every Saturday — online all the time — by Brooklyn Paper Publications Inc, 55 Washington St, Suite 624, Brooklyn NY 11201. Phone 718-834-9350 • www.BrooklynPapers.com • © 2006 Brooklyn Paper Publications • 14 pages • Vol. 29, No. 46 BWN • Saturday, November 25, 2006 • FREE



Raccoons, sighted in Bensonhurst and Coney Island in the mid-1990s, have made their way to Park Slope and Carroll Gardens.

MASKED BANDITS

Raccoons return to steal our garbage, hearts

By Dana Rubinstein
The Brooklyn Papers

Brooklynites are rabid with gossip about some of their newest and most mysterious neighbors — raccoons.

Sightings of the black-masked bear cousins have on the rise in Green-Wood Heights and Carroll Gardens in recent months, causing some to coo at the cute little varmints, and others to shiver in fear. Monica Stabin has lived on 21st Street across from Green-Wood Cemetery for nine years, but saw her first Brooklyn raccoon just a few weeks ago.

"I was sitting in the backyard, and someone said, 'Is that a black cat?'" recalled Stabin. "I looked up and there was a raccoon!"

Stabin, for one, is a fan of the bushy-tailed creatures. "I kind of like hearing them hoot and chortle." But her neighbor Aaron Brashear, with whom she's been swapping raccoon tales, is more ambivalent.

"We have a mother who has a litter every spring in our neighbor's backyard," said Brashear. "They nest in this 50-foot-tall gingko tree. The babies are really, really cute. But when they get big, they can



Carroll Gardens resident Mary Tarsio recounts how a raccoon lunged at her when she went to feed a stray cat outside her bedroom door.

decimate your vegetable garden, go through the trash, turn over pots."

Where they came from is anyone's guess (see Vince DiMiceli's view below). But Brashear believes that recent development in the area is forcing raccoons out of long-established hiding places.

"Trapper John" Terpo, a Queens-based exterminator, who's been trapping raccoons for years, agreed that development might have something to do with it, and added that the raccoon population has definitely grown.

"Over the years, I've seen somewhere between a moderate and big increase in raccoons in Brooklyn," said Terpo. "But, I have never seen a rabid raccoon in Brooklyn."

The exact number of raccoons in Brooklyn is unknown. But, there have been no recorded cases of rabies in any animals in Brooklyn this year, and there

See RACCOONS on page 12

Varmints owe lives to Jimmy

JIMMY BALDASSANO WOULDN'T HURT A FLY. Well, let me rephrase that: Jimmy Baldassano wouldn't hurt a raccoon. And the next time you see one of those masked mammals while walking in Carroll Park or strolling through Park Slope, you can thank Jimmy.

Or curse him. You see, I'm of the opinion that Jimmy Baldassano's giant heart is the reason that Brooklyn is once again home to a large populace of raccoons.

A few years back, sightings

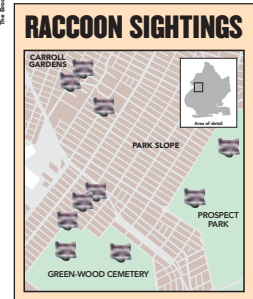


By Vince DiMiceli

wildlife uncommon in other, less-rustic settings in the city. In fact, a couple of weeks ago a deer — yes, a DEER — was struck and killed on Hylan Boulevard. So along with ants, termites, cockroaches and the feared house centipede, Jimmy was sometimes called in to remove larger, fluffier pests.

Back in the mid-1990s, when he grew up and still lived, I heard something crawling

See JIMMY on page 12



This man stopped Ratner*

CELLIST PAUL ROTHBLATT HAS sent Bruce Ratner's Atlantic Yards project crashing to a halt — albeit for just a few days.

The keen-eyed community activist (photo right) noticed that his testimony hadn't been included in the final environmental analysis of Ratner's project — a violation of state law. As a result, the report is being rewritten to include Rothblatt's comments, delaying the approval process for a week or so.

This is an annoyance, at least, to state officials who are rushing to approve Atlantic Yards before Gov. Pataki leaves office. Pataki is a Ratner supporter who's known Brooklyn's mega-developer since their law school days.

Also this week, anti-Yards City Councilwoman Letitia James huddled with lobbyists for the owners of Madison Square Garden and the New York Knicks — the same people credited with working with Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver to kill the West Side Jets stadium last year. Yards opponents have long hoped that the MSG officials are up for another fight — this time against Ratner's plans to build an arena that would cut into their business.

See stories on page 5

* for about a week



Anthony DeLuca

Finding history in DUMBO

Landmark district in 'new' nabe still nameless

By Ariella Cohen
The Brooklyn Papers

An existential conundrum is brewing in the neighborhood known as "Down Under the Manhattan Bridge Overpass": what do you name a historic district whose name is a modern construction?

City officials are moving ahead with plans to create a historic district in DUMBO — whose acronymic name was created by developer David Walentas when he started buying up buildings in the 1980s to evoke an earlier up-hip neighborhood, Soho.

"What to name the district is an ironic question," said Rob Parris, district manager of Community Board 2.

"We know it as 'DUMBO,' but certainly in history there have been names more associated with [it]."

The area between Fulton Ferry Landing (the old name for where the River Cafe now is) and Wallabout Bay (the Navy Yard) has changed



Beacon Tower on York Street could not have been built if DUMBO had been a historic district.

names pretty much every 50 years since it first appeared on European maps in the 16th century.

The first name was Rapuile, after the family who owned most of the land. But in the centuries to follow, the area would be called "Olympia," "Fulton Landing" and finally "Gaiville," after the early-20th-century industrialist Robert Gaiv, who manufactured paper bags and corrugated cardboard boxes at 45 Washington St.

Gaiville has the best claim, historians say, but the name is unlikely to even be suggested. Why? Because Landmarks designation is about marketability, just as much as history.

"Can you imagine saying 'let's go out for dinner in 'Gaiville'?" said Simeon Bankoff of the Historic District Council.

But other historians say that history does not need to be lost to real-estate hipsterism.

"Olympia" sounds just as good

as 'DUMBO' and it goes back to the history," said former borough historian John Mazbeck.

So far, the commissioners are undecided. "It's not a forgone conclusion that 'DUMBO' will be the name of district, but we will look at how the neighborhood is known to the people in the community that exists now," said Lisi de Bourbon, a spokeswoman for the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

The DUMBO Neighborhood Association wants the district enshrined before more old buildings are lost.

Last week, notorious landlord Joshua Guttman began to demolish a 19th-century foundry built by Brooklyn Bridge builder E.W. Bliss.

The slim brick building at 205 Water St. would be within the boundaries for the historic district suggested by the DUMBO neighborhood group — but city officials said they can't stop Guttman until the neighborhood is landmarked.

Brooklyn artist has 'date' with Iraq

MICHAEL RAKOWITZ'S IRAQI dates have finally completed a 6,000-mile, three-month journey from Baghdad to New York City — but it's unclear if the fruit will make the last six miles to Rakowitz's Atlantic Avenue store.

As we went to press, the dates — 11 boxes of Iraq's most-beloved treat (after oil, that is) — were tied up at JFK Airport, where American officials are deciding whether to release them to Rakowitz, an artist and would-be date importer.

"The red tape is not unexpected, but I never thought the dates would become part of a counter-terrorism effort," said Rakowitz, 32, a former Fort Greene resident who set up a storefront on Atlantic Avenue as an art project examining the progress in American-Iraqi relations.

Progress? Rakowitz certainly isn't hanging any "Mission Accomplished" banners.

His long, strange attempt to import

Iraqi dates goes back to Aug. 10, when he made e-contact with Atheer Al Azawi, an exporter who said he could ship a ton of the delicacy to Rakowitz by the beginning of October.

Rakowitz had no reason not to be optimistic. After all, didn't America go to war to help the Iraqi people build better lives and businesses?

Perhaps, but since that first joyous e-mail exchange, things have gone a bit



Iraqi dates are said to be the world's best.

awry (and yet provides fascinating reading on Rakowitz's blog, www.creative.time.org/programs/archive/2006/whocares/projects_rakowitz_blog.html).

• Sept. 7: Rakowitz's order for a ton of dates is inked with Al Azawi's company.

• Sept. 18: Rakowitz received the artwork for his date boxes — stamped with the words "Product of Iraq" — the first time such words would be seen on American shelves in more than two decades, thanks to wars and embargoes.

• Oct. 5: The dates leave Baghdad by truck, headed for Jordan and a flight the U.S.

• Oct. 10: The dates are turned back at the Jordanian border and sent to Baghdad for radiation testing.

• Oct. 18: The truck returns to the Jordanian border, only to be turned back again for "security concerns." The driver heads to Syria.

• Oct. 25: Syrian officials demand \$1,200 to allow the dates to leave Dam-



ascus. Al Azawi advises against paying the bribe because "eventually, these large boxes of dates will be blocking something ... and they will move [them] as we requested."

• Nov. 1: Syrian officials indeed release the dates — but the weeks of heat and poor storage have left them in such horrible condition that Al Azawi cancels the shipment out of fear that American inspectors will block it anyway.

• Nov. 7: Eleven new boxes are sent to the United States by air.

• Nov. 17: The dates arrive in the U.S., but are blocked at JFK airport, subject to inspection by the Food and Drug Administration, the Customs Bureau, and the federal Department of Agriculture.

• Nov. 21: USDA and Customs in-

spectors sign off on the dates, which could be shipped to a Sunset Park warehouse (owned by the Sahadi family, which is officially a co-importer) for the final FDA inspection this weekend.

Rakowitz is finally allowing himself to believe that the end is near — and that the dates could go on sale at his store this weekend, a fitting ending to an art project that revealed painful truths about the toll of President Bush's failed war in Iraq.

"It's amazing when you think about how this sweet, innocuous fruit, which is actually a symbol of good things to come in both Muslim and Jewish celebrations, got trapped in the barriers that are put up between the two countries in a period of war," said Rakowitz, whose grandfather, an Arab Jew, came to New York from Iraq in 1946.

"The sanctions were lifted in May, 2003, yet there is virtually no trade between U.S. and Iraq. How can Iraqis not be disillusioned?"



Artist Michael Rakowitz inside his Iraqi date store on Atlantic Avenue.

FIX YOUR HOME
FIND HOME IMPROVEMENT
HELP IN CLASSIFIEDS **BACK PAGE**



Windsor Terrace
writer-director
takes home best
U.S. movie from
Arignon/NY fest



BROOKLYN'S REAL NEWSPAPERS

The Bay Ridge Paper

Including The Bensonhurst Paper



Published every Saturday — online all the time — by Brooklyn Paper Publications Inc, 55 Washington St, Suite 624, Brooklyn NY 11201. Phone 718-834-9350 • www.BrooklynPapers.com • © 2006 Brooklyn Paper Publications • 14 pages • Vol. 29, No. 46 BR2 • Saturday, November 25, 2006 • FREE



Raccoons, sighted in Bensonhurst and Coney Island in the mid-1990s, have made their way to Park Slope and Carroll Gardens.

MASKED BANDITS

Raccoons return to steal our garbage, hearts

By Dana Rubinstein
The Brooklyn Papers

Brooklynites are rabid with gossip about some of their newest and most mysterious neighbors — raccoons.

Sightings of the black-masked bear cousins have been on the rise in Green-Wood Heights and Carroll Gardens in recent months, causing some to coo at the cute little varmints, and others to shiver in fear. Monica Stabin has lived on 21st Street across from Green-Wood Cemetery for nine years, but saw her first Brooklyn raccoon just a few weeks ago.

"I was sitting in the backyard, and someone said, 'Is that a black cat?'" recalled Stabin. "I looked up and there was a raccoon!" Stabin, for one, is a fan of the bushy-tailed creatures. "I kind of like hearing them hoot and chortle."

But her neighbor Aaron Brashear, with whom she's been swapping raccoon tales, is more ambivalent. "We have a mother who has a litter every spring in our neighbor's backyard," said Brashear. "They nest in this 50-foot-tall gingko tree. The babies are really, really cute. But when they get big, they can



Carroll Gardens resident Mary Tarsio recounts how a raccoon lunged at her when she went to feed a stray cat outside her bedroom door.

decimate your vegetable garden, go through the trash, turn over pots."

Where they came from is anyone's guess (see Vince DiMiceli's view below). But Brashear believes that recent development in the area is forcing raccoons out of long-established hiding places.

"Trapper John" Terpo, a Queens-based exterminator, who's been trapping raccoons for years, agreed that development might have something to do with it, and added that the raccoon population has definitely grown.

"Over the years, I've seen somewhere between a moderate and big increase in raccoons in Brooklyn," said Terpo. "But, I have never seen a rabid raccoon in Brooklyn."

The exact number of raccoons in Brooklyn is unknown. But, there have been no recorded cases of rabies in any animals in Brooklyn this year, and there

See RACCOONS on page 12

Varmints owe lives to Jimmy

JIMMY BALDASSANO WOULDN'T HURT A FLY. Well, let me rephrase that: Jimmy Baldassano wouldn't hurt a raccoon. And the next time you see one of those masked mammals while walking in Carroll Park or

strolling through Park Slope, you can thank Jimmy.

Or curse him.

You see, I'm of the opinion that Jimmy Baldassano's giant heart is the reason that Brooklyn is once again home to a large populace of raccoons.

A few years back, sightings

of the garbage-eating buggers were being reported in places where they hadn't been seen for a generation: Coney Island and Bensonhurst.

At the time, Jimmy was a cop the 62nd Precinct on Bath Avenue in the "Hunt. But he had a second job: as a bug buster —



By Vince DiMiceli

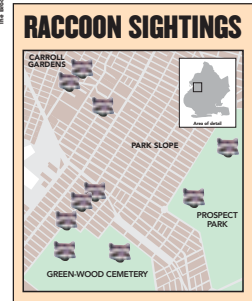
and he was one of the best exterminators on Staten Island, where he grew up and still lived.

Staten Island has some

wildlife uncommon in other, less-rustic settings in the city. In fact, a couple of weeks ago a deer — yes, a DEER — was struck and killed on Hylan Boulevard. So along with ants, termites, cockroaches and the feared house centipede, Jimmy was sometimes called in to remove larger, fluffier pests.

Back in the mid-1990s, when I heard something crawling

See JIMMY on page 12



This man stopped Ratner*

CELLIST PAUL ROTHBLATT HAS sent Bruce Ratner's Atlantic Yards project crashing to a halt — albeit for just a few days.

The keen-eyed community activist (photo right) noticed that his testimony hadn't been included in the final environmental analysis of Ratner's project — a violation of state law. As a result, the report is being rewritten to include Rothblatt's comments, delaying the approval process for a week or so.

This is an annoyance, at least, to state officials who are rushing to approve Atlantic Yards before Gov. Pataki leaves office. Pataki is a Ratner supporter who's known Brooklyn's mega-developer since their law school days.

Also this week, anti-Yards City Councilwoman Letitia James huddled with lobbyists for the owners of Madison Square Garden and the New York Knicks — the same people credited with working with Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver to kill the West Side Jets stadium last year. Yards opponents have long hoped that the MSG officials are up for another fight — this time against Ratner's plans to build an arena that would cut into their business.

See stories on page 5.

* for about a week



Victory files for bankruptcy

Troubled hospital just gave head \$1.1M severance

By Dana Rubinstein
and Matthew Lysak
The Brooklyn Papers

Bay Ridge's Victory Memorial Hospital declared bankruptcy last week amid scrutiny of the hospital's compensation practices, and just two weeks before a state commission releases a much-anticipated report that is expected to recommend shuttering failing hospitals across the state.

[The New York Sun reported on Wednesday that the commission will call for Victory's closure, but it's unclear if its recommendations will be followed by Gov.-elect Eliot Spitzer.] Following the bankruptcy announcement, hospital spokesman Gerald McKelvey said there would be no changes in patient care at Victory, which is \$40 million in the red.

Recent news reports give an indication of how the hospital got there.

According to the New York Post, the 254-bed center gave departing CEO Donald DiCunto a \$1.1 million severance package despite dire financial straits — although he won't see a dime of it for years, McKelvey said.

This week, Victory fired its second-in-command, William Reveley, after the Post reported that he had failed to pay corporate taxes in 1988. McKelvey said the personnel changes were long in coming at the hospital, which is at 92nd Street and Seventh Avenue.

"This had to do with the previous administration," said McKelvey. "This is all part of Victory's attempt to restructure itself and rid itself of unnecessary or unproductive services."

Victory is not the only hospital in need of resurrection.

Fort Greene's Brooklyn Hospital Center, Parkway Hospital in Queens and St. Vincent Catholic Medical



The sun might be setting on Victory Memorial Hospital.

Centers in Manhattan are all also in Chapter 11.

On Dec. 1, the state's Commission on Health Care Facilities in the 21st Century will issue a report on how to cut hospital costs and is expected to recommend the closure of several poorly performing institutions.

Not all Bay Ridgites would be said to Victory Memorial go. "We have two excellent hospitals serving the Bay Ridge community: Lutheran Medical Center and Maimonides," said Peter Killen, a Bay Ridge activist. "Both of them are extremely qualified to address the medical needs of Bay Ridge and Dyker Heights."

Meanwhile, City Councilman Vince Gentile (D-Bay Ridge) was busy searching for the silver lining.

"Bankruptcy is not a bad thing," said Gentile. "Donald Trump declared bankruptcy and now he is a millionaire again."

Brooklyn artist has 'date' with Iraq

MICHAEL RAKOWITZ'S IRAQI dates have finally completed a 6,000-mile, three-month journey from Baghdad to New York City — but it's unclear if the fruit will make the last six miles to Rakowitz's Atlantic Avenue store.

As we went to press, the dates — 11 boxes of Iraq's most-beloved treat (after oil, that is) — were tied up at JFK Airport, where American officials are deciding whether to release them to Rakowitz, an artist and would-be date importer.

"The red tape is not unexpected, but I never thought the dates would become part of a counter-terrorism effort," said Rakowitz, 32, a former Fort Greene resident who set up a storefront on Atlantic Avenue as an art project examining the progress in American-Iraqi relations.

Progress? Rakowitz certainly isn't hanging any "Mission Accomplished" banners.

His long, strange attempt to import

Iraqi dates goes back to Aug. 10, when he made e-contact with Atheer Al Azawi, an exporter who said he could ship a ton of the delicacy to Rakowitz by the beginning of October.

Rakowitz had no reason not to be optimistic. After all, didn't America go to war to help the Iraqi people build better lives and businesses?

Perhaps, but since that first joyous e-mail exchange, things have gone a bit



Iraqi dates are said to be the world's best.

awry (and yet provides fascinating reading on Rakowitz's blog, www.creative.time.org/programs/archive/2006/whocares/projects_rakowitz_blog.html).

• Sept. 7: Rakowitz's order for a ton of dates is inked with Al Azawi's company.

• Sept. 18: Rakowitz received the artwork for his date boxes — stamped with the words "Product of Iraq" — the first time such words would be seen on American shelves in more than two decades, thanks to wars and embargoes.

• Oct. 5: The dates leave Baghdad by truck, headed for Jordan and a flight to the U.S.

• Oct. 10: The dates are turned back at the Jordanian border and sent to Baghdad for radiation testing.

• Oct. 18: The truck returns to the Jordanian border, only to be turned back again for "security concerns." The driver heads to Syria.

• Oct. 25: Syrian officials demand \$1,200 to allow the dates to leave Dam-



By Gersh Kuntzman

ascus. Al Azawi advises against paying the bribe because "eventually, these large boxes of dates will be blocking something... and they will move [them] as we requested."

• Nov. 7: Syrian officials indeed release the dates — but the weeks of heat and poor storage have left them in such horrible condition that Al Azawi cancels the shipment out of fear that American inspectors will block it anyway.

• Nov. 7: Eleven new boxes are sent to the United States by air.

• Nov. 17: The dates arrive in the U.S., but are blocked at JFK airport, subject to inspection by the Food and Drug Administration, the Customs Bureau, and the federal Department of Agriculture.

• Nov. 21: USDA and Customs in-

spectors sign off on the dates, which could be shipped to a Sunset Park warehouse (owned by the Sahadi family, which is officially a co-importer) for the final FDA inspection this weekend.

Rakowitz is finally allowing himself to believe that the end is near — and that the dates could go on sale at his store this weekend, a fitting ending to an art project that revealed painful truths about the toll of President Bush's failed war in Iraq.

"It's amazing when you think about how this sweet, innocuous fruit, which is actually a symbol of good things to come in both Muslim and Jewish celebrations, got trapped in the barriers that are put up between the two countries in a period of war," said Rakowitz, whose grandfather, an Arab Jew, came to New York from Iraq in 1946.

"The sanctions were lifted in May, 2003, yet there is virtually no trade between U.S. and Iraq. How can Iraqis not be disillusioned?"



Artist Michael Rakowitz inside his Iraqi date store on Atlantic Avenue.

"We cannot direct the wind,
but we can adjust the sails."
—Bertha Calverly



Chanie Schwartz
Certified Financial Planner™
Invested Interest

Financial Planning Services

- Insurance Assessment
- Retirement Planning
- College Funding
- Budgeting - Gifting
- Estate Planning
- Cashflow Analysis
- Wealth Accumulation

295 Madison Avenue, NYC
investedinterest@verizon.net
Call 212-661-5190
FREE CONSULTATION!



CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ CFP®

The certification marks above are owned by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc., and are awarded to individuals who successfully complete CFP Board's initial and ongoing education requirements. Securities offered through Securities America, Inc. Member SIPC. All advisory services offered through Securities America Advisors, Inc., Chartered Securities Representative. A third interest and Securities America are not affiliated.

saveonscents.com
—Fragrances For Every Occasion—

- Wholesale — no minimums
- Fragrance / Body Oils
- Bath & Body
- Incense
- Online Specials
(mention code #A2B8P)



Also visit: silksplash.com • 888-8-SCENTS

Jabus Building Corporation
MASONRY SPECIALISTS

Construction Financing Available
Purchase • Home Improvement
Debt Consolidation Loans

Jim & Deborah Buscarello
98 Van Dyke Street • (718) 852-5364



- Drop-in center for kids, parents and caregivers
- Infant, toddler, and parent classes
- A place to connect with kids and other parents



250 Baltic Street
(718) 237-1862

www.familiesfirstbrooklyn.org

WE KNOW WHAT IT TAKES



Lean on Me
BODYWORKS of Brooklyn Heights

718-222-8713 • leanonmebodyworks.com

Massage Therapy for mind, body & spirit



Dharmany

Lauren Sweeney-Hampel, LMT
Member AMTA & NCBTMB

- Swedish • Shiatsu • Sports
- Hot Stone • Deep Tissue

917-923-1114
COBBLE HILL

Gift Certificates Available

Panoramic NY harbor & skyline view



206 Court St.
(718) 596-3333

See our listings:
COBBLEHEIGHTS.COM

**Leave packages with us.
And worries behind.**

As your neighborhood shipping center we offer many services in addition to packing and shipping. Stop in to find out what we can offer you.

COPY SERVICE • OFFICE SUPPLIES
FAX SERVICE • GIFT CARDS • BINDING LAMINATING
PASSPORT PHOTOS • MAILBOX RENTALS

COBBLE HILL VARIETY & MAILING CENTER
495 Henry Street • (718) 852-8844
Open 7 Days 'til 9pm



Ted Rothstein, DDS PhD
ORTHODONTIST
A winning smile is a priceless asset

Clear OrthoClear
Standard BRACES Lingual

35 Remsen St. Brooklyn Heights
www.drtded.com drtded35@aol.com
(718) 852-1551

Cosmetic Teeth Whitening Center

Gardens gets 'Green'

The Brooklyn Papers

Carroll Gardeners are getting their very own greenmarket.

Starting in July, a mouth-watering fresh produce market will be set up every Sunday in front of PS 58 — on Carroll Street, between Smith and Court streets.

It, as they say, hunger is the best sauce, then this produce is going to taste good. After all, area residents have been hungering for a convenient place to buy food ever since the closure of the Key Food on Court Street earlier this year forced them to shop for groceries outside the neighborhood.

"We have drug stores up the wazoo, but no supermarket," said Sara Weber, president of the Committee to Improve Carroll Park.

There is a Met Food on Henry Street, but residents complain that it's too far away. And then there are people who just enjoy shopping at the city's outdoor greenmarkets.

"I think it's a good idea," said Pat Powers, who has lived in the neighborhood for 26 years. "We have a lot of young people with babies, and the issues of healthy food and the environment are very important to us now."

According to Gabrielle Langholz, a spokeswoman for Council on the Environment of New York City, which runs more than 40 greenmarkets, including the famed Union Square and Grand Army Plaza markets, the Carroll Gardens market will sell fruits and vegetables, and in a "best case scenario, some kind of animal protein."

Vendors are being lined up, so it's too soon to say exactly whether Flying Pigs Farm's business pork shoulder will be on the menu.



A customer peruses the green goods at a market in Park Slope.

York City, which runs more than 40 greenmarkets, including the famed Union Square and Grand Army Plaza markets, the Carroll Gardens market will sell fruits and vegetables, and in a "best case scenario, some kind of animal protein."

Vendors are being lined up, so it's too soon to say exactly whether Flying Pigs Farm's business pork shoulder will be on the menu.

It's official: Carroll Gardeners are worried about overdevelopment. A whopping 91 percent of neighborhood residents are "concerned" about "the height or size of new buildings in the neighborhood" — and 60 percent of that group is "very concerned," according to a poll released by the Carroll Gardens Neighborhood Association last week.

"The results were pretty unanimous," said Craig Hammerman, district manager of Community Board 6, which worked with the group on the report.

"Residents see [overdevelopment] as an attack on community values and the character of the neighborhood, which brought them here in the first place," he added.

A total of 909 area residents, approximately 8.3 percent of the adult population of Carroll Gardens, responded to the poll.

Overdevelopment isn't the only neighborhood headache. Hot issues include parking, with 92 percent of vehicle owners upset about the dearth of it, and affordable housing, with about 40 percent of the respondents saying they weren't sure they would be able to afford the neighborhood in the next five years.

On the plus side, the survey also revealed that 66.3 percent of the neighborhood eats at least two meals in a restaurant every week and only 15 percent of residents commute by car.

—Dana Rubinstein

Seek 'park'-ing finds

Group asks how people will reach 'park'

The Brooklyn Papers

How will you get to the development site commonly referred to as "Brooklyn Bridge Park"? Practice.

Local officials who are devising ways to get people to the proposed apartment and commercial project along the Brooklyn Heights and DUMBO waterfront will hold their second public meeting next week to seek public input.

The site — which is currently difficult to access — is likely to include some open space and areas that proponents tout as parkland.

"We encourage everyone to come out and help us explore options," said Hank Gutman, chairman of the Downtown Brooklyn Waterfront Local Development Corporation, which is doing transportation studies and focus groups.

"Since the park stretches 1.3 miles, we want to make sure that visitors have a variety of ways to get there."

Ways being discussed include a tunnel to Furman Street from the Clark Street subway platform, and trolley-styled busses from Borough Hall.

At the first meeting last month, planners announced that they were also considering a direct link from the failed Brooklyn Heights Promenade at Montague Street to the development.

Such a link had been discussed in the past, but shot down by Heights residents who feared people tramping through their quiet neighborhood on their way to the waterfront development.

Planners also rejected an actual trolley link from Borough Hall, a route endorsed by The Brooklyn Papers. Brooklyn Bridge Park transportation study meeting, Dec. 4, 6 pm, St. Francis College auditorium (182 Remsen St.). For info, email bbgp.transit_study@yahoo.com.

—Gersh Kuntzman

The Most Memorable Funeral

Fl. Greene can offer your loved one

Enjoy the serenity of a comfortable chapel located in the historical Fort Greene-Clinton Hill area.

Services customized to meet your needs.

Serving Fort Green-Clinton Hill for over 40 years

Robert F. Cranford Funeral Home
203 DeKalb Ave. (bet. Adelphi & Carlton)
(718) 625-4656

FUNERAL DIRECTORS:
Robert F. Cranford & Eva J. Cranford

34 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

ONE DAY SALE



\$0 INITIATION
ONLY \$79 PER MONTH*
FOR A 10½ MONTH MEMBERSHIP



EASTERN ATHLETIC

PROSPECT PARK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 12-7PM
17 EASTERN PARKWAY AT GRAND ARMY PLAZA 718 789-4600

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS MONDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 12-9PM
43 CLARK STREET BETWEEN HENRY & HICKS 718 625-0500

METROTECH WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 12-9PM
333 ADAMS STREET AT THE MARRIOTT HOTEL 718 330-0007

TRIBECA WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 12-9PM
80 LEONARD STREET BETWEEN B'WAY & CHURCH 212 966-5432

*MEMBERSHIP FEE IS PAID IN FULL IN ADVANCE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP TERM (FROM THE DATE OF JOINING THROUGH 11/1/07). THIS INTRODUCTORY OFFER IS FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY. PHOTO ID REQUIRED.



THE INSTITUTE FOR LIVING JUDAISM IN BROOKLYN

Sunday, Dec. 3, 10 AM...

JEWISH VIEWS OF SEXUAL DIVERSITY
A Symposium

Rabbis: Gordon Tucker, Dov Linzer, Leonard Levy,

Sarra Lev, Ayelet Cohen

Moderated by Rabbi Joseph Potasnik

East Midwood Jewish Ctr., 1625 Ocean Ave., (K & L)

\$7 admission

For More Information: 718 339-0230

Visit us at: www.iljb.org

Looking for a better mailbox?

Get 3 months free with a 1-year service agreement.*



The UPS Store®

Mail forwarding™ and holding, package notification, call-in MailCheck®, and more!

93 Montague Street (at Hicks Street)
718-802-0900

*Available at participating locations. **Additional fees may apply. ©2006 United States Postal Service.

WHO'S YOUR DOGGY?
Premium Pet Food & Supply



197 Adelphi Street (corner of Willoughby Avenue)
WE DELIVER ☎ 718-522-5244

- Local & Long Distance Services
- Airport Transportation
- Medical Pickup & Drop Off

Atlantic City, Foxwood and Mahogany Sun Casinos

Myrtle
Car & Limo Service



24 Hour Door-to-Door Service

☎ 718-230-8100

www.myrtlecarservice.com

YIN YANG YOGA
GRAND OPENING!!

Relax, Restore, Renew
15% Off 'Til 12/31/06!

748 Myrtle Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11205
(718) 875-2648

www.yinyangyoga.com * info@yinyangyoga.com

FREE HOME MODIFICATIONS

Free home modifications available to frail seniors and individuals with disabilities living in Brooklyn Community Boards 2, 3, 4, 8 & 16.

To qualify, applicants must have household incomes of no more than \$19,146 annually.

Modifications will enable individuals to perform everyday tasks more independently and allow greater access to and within the home — e.g. installation of grab bars, walk-in shower, ramps, and widening doorways.

For an application call
SERVICES FOR THE UNDERSERVED
at 718.403.9846, ext. 248

Have you seen us lately?



- Eye Exams
- Designer Frames
- Contact Lenses
- Children's Frames
- Sunglasses
- Sports Glasses

Heights Vision Center

132 Montague St.
Brooklyn Heights
(718) 852-1149
www.doctorstuartfriedman.com

Purse snatch in library

By Lilo H. Stainton
and Claire McTaggart
The Brooklyn Papers

Some people go to the library to read, relax or surf the Web. On Nov. 15, one man went to steal a purse, police said.

The 46-year-old victim, standing near the entrance desk of the public library on Cadman Plaza West at Clinton Street around 4:30 pm, said she had her eye on the pocketbook but not enough to stop someone from grabbing the bag, which had \$337 inside of it.

No pit bull

Apparently, a litter of pit bull puppies doesn't pack much of a fright.

They weren't enough to deter a burglar from a construction trailer on Bay Street in Red Hook, police learned.

A thief tried to jimmy several windows before he succeeded in prying the bars away from another pane, opening the glass and crawling into the temporary office, in the yard of a home under construction, near Court Street. A 36-year-old construction official discovered the break-in when he showed up for work at 5:50 am on Nov. 9.

POLICE BLOTTER

The thief had helped himself to eight cans of soda from the refrigerator, plus a laptop and computer monitor. Construction officials said the pit bull puppies had been in the office, but, police noted it, "didn't appear to make a difference" to the burglars.

Fights back

This was no normal Sunday stroll in the park.

A 34-year-old woman was attacked by a thug in Fort Greene Park on Nov. 12, but fought to keep her purse, police said.

The victim was walking near the corner of DeKalb and Myrtle avenues, shortly after 3 pm, when she saw a man near the tennis courts. The stranger rushed over, pushed her to the pavement, snatched her purse and grabbed her wallet from the bag.

The victim suffered cuts and scratches, but struggled to her feet and grabbed the purse back from the thief. The robber ran off through the park with the wallet, which held the victim's bank cards, a Citibank check, gift cards and \$200.

Bling-blung

Two men made away with \$29,000 in gold-and-diamond Jesus pendants and chains on Nov. 14 when they robbed jewelry store on DeKalb Avenue.

The men entered the store, which is at Bond Street, at 5:30 pm to try on the bling. But when the employee turned to help another customer, the duo fled and sped off in a 2003 Ford Explorer.

One of the men was last seen wearing a yellow jacket and baseball hat.

iSteal

A 15-year-old boy was nabbed by cops after beating up a younger schoolmate for an iPod on Nov. 15.

The teens were at their school, located at Cathedral Place and Flatbush Avenue Extension, when the youngster was attacked from behind, punched in the head and slammed repeatedly into a car windshield.

The attacker threatened, "Give me your iPod or I am going to cut you," but a witness intervened before the bully could make away with the popular digital music player.

Bathroom grab

A lady ran out of more than just toilet paper when her purse was snatched from her bathroom stall at a Fulton Mall department store on Nov. 16.

The 67-year-old woman had hanged her purse on the hook inside her stall, but before she could flush, she noticed the bag was gone.

Also on Fulton Mall: A shopper was robbed when a passerby stole her purse containing \$95 from her stroller on Nov. 16.

Two days later, a woman had her wallet snatched from a purse hanging from her stroller. She noticed her wallet, with \$140 in it, was missing at 5 pm.

Pocket loss

Money can burn a hole in your pocket, but can it cut it off?

One man dozed off on a Brooklyn-bound 2 train, and upon waking near Borough Hall, found his pocket had been cut open and his wallet, cell-

phone and MetroCard missing.

The 16-year-old man said his pocket was empty at around 5 pm on Nov. 11, but was clueless as to when the robbery took place.

Bad trip

Police collared a man on a wild heroin binge as he tried to rob a hotel and injured a security guard in the process.

The man entered the hotel on 333 Adams St. just before 11 pm and grabbed \$1,100 of music equipment, cops said. While in the hotel stairwell, the man ran into a security guard, whom he attacked in his efforts to escape.

Police later took the man into custody, where they found heroin in his pocket.

Needy client

One client got his money's worth when he robbed a human resource assistant in her Hoyt Street office on Nov. 14th.

The 52-year-old woman said she left the client in the office, which is near Schermerhorn Street, for only a few minutes. But when she returned, the client was gone, and so was the purse, which had at least \$480 in it.

No tacos for you

A burglar broke into a tractor-trailer on Hamilton Avenue, took two boxes of tortilla shells, then left the chips and bottled empty-handed, according to police.

The 42-year-old driver, a Georgia man, left the rig near Second Avenue around 10 am on Nov. 17. When he returned just over 24 hours later, a padlock on the back had been clipped and the two shells were missing. Nothing else appeared to be stolen and the chips were quickly recovered on the pavement near the trailer.

Up in smoke

It was one expensive cigarette.

When a woman stepped out for a smoke on Nov. 11, a thief stole her purse — with \$250 — from a Columbia Street bar, police said.

The 31-year-old victim left her bag inside the pub, near Baltic Street, shortly after midnight. She stepped out for a smoke and, when she returned over an hour later, the blue purse had disappeared.

In addition to the cash, the bag held credit and debit cards, her New York University ID and her keys.

High-caliber hit

A trio of thugs toting machine guns violently robbed a man closing a Flushing Avenue business on Nov. 13, police said.

And although the thieves found themselves face-to-face with an empty safe, the robbery left them \$20,000 richer.

Police said the 45-year-old victim was rolling down the metal

I'll be your bridge
from where you are to
where you want to be

ELLEN GOTTLIEB
BROOKLYN
Bridge
Realty, Ltd.
211 Court Street
Brooklyn
917.797.1351
718.625.3700 x 112
brooklynbridge Realty.com

Loose Dentures?

GO AHEAD...
Eat what you want!

Visit Dr. Tony Farha in the morning, have the "Mini-Implant System" placed in less than two hours, then go out and enjoy your favorite lunch. No more messy adhesive or pastes.

As recently demonstrated by Dr. Tony on ABC & Fox News

- This advanced system is FDA Approved.
- It is a **one-step**, non-surgical procedure.
- No sutures, nor the typical months of healing.
- No pain or discomfort.
- Affordable (Payment Plans available and Insurance coverage)

Dr. Tony is recognized as a **Professor of the Mini Dental Implant.**

***ONLY \$495
FOR DENTURE!**
Limited Time Offer
with a purchase of MDI
Call today for your **FREE Consultation**
718-833-6895
461 77th St - Bay Ridge
1412 Richmond Rd - Staten Island
www.oraldentalscare.com

burke talon
192 Amity Street
(between Court St. & Clinton St.)

NEW ARRIVAL

Anna Corinna "City Tote"
Available in Black, Java,
Blue, Tan & Plum

shoes handbags jewelry accessories gifts
www.BURKETALON.com

RE POP
95% RECYCLED
A VINTAGE WAREHOUSE

68 Washington Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11205
www.repopny.com

WED thru SUN 11am to 7pm
718 260 8032

modern furnishings
primitive design
peculiar collectibles
vintage clothing
monthly art exhibitions

GRAND OPENING WEEKEND

FRIDAY NOV. 24TH - SUNDAY 26TH

3.1 by Phillip Lim • Acne
Alexander McQueen • Chloe
Diane Von Furstenberg
Emilio Pucci • Hogan
Jimmy Choo • Marc Jacobs
Matthew Williamson • Mayle
Missoni • MIU MIU
Moschino • Sass & Bide
Superfine • Tsubi • Zac Posen

ZOË

DUMBO
70 Washington Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
718.237.4002

WWW.SHOPZOEONLINE.COM

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY 11-7
THURSDAY - FRIDAY 11-8
SATURDAY 11-7 SUNDAY 12-6

CHRISTMAS
LIGHTS • DECORATIONS • ORNAMENTS
TREES • WREATHS • STOCKINGS

True Value We Appreciate Your Business!
AMERICAN HOUSEWARES

85 Court Street in Downtown Brooklyn
Open 7 Days A Week • (718) 243-0844
Subway: A, C, F, M, R, 2, 3, 4, 5 • 10% OFF
all items (with \$100.00)

Miss Jessie's
THE NATURAL CURL'S SECRET WEAPON

www.missjessies.com

CURLY PUDDING™
Our world famous CURLY PUDDING™ is a smooth operator that transforms shrunken kinks to super shiny stretched out curls.

CURLY MERINGUE™
Wanna boost? This potent emulsion packs the punch you need for pogo slick, cringy bouncy curls.

BABY BUTTERCREME™
This splendid moisture blend is here to rescue kids, mommies and daddies from knotty, dried out curls. It's essential for softening and growing out natural hair.

CURLY BUTTERCREME™
Our legendary super softening soufflé spiked with extra cooling peppermint essence is the premium ultimate for growing out natural hair and preventing peppercorn tangled knotted ends.

Williamsburg • SoFiade
119 Grand Street Suite #216
Brooklyn, NY 11211
718.230.3060

Dumbo • Pretty Inside
147 Front Street Suite #216
Brooklyn, NY 11201
718.222.9303

Fort Greene • Time Salon
9 Greene Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11238
718.522.9030

The Child Study Center of New York, Est. 1981
is offering

1st
**First Class
Day Care**

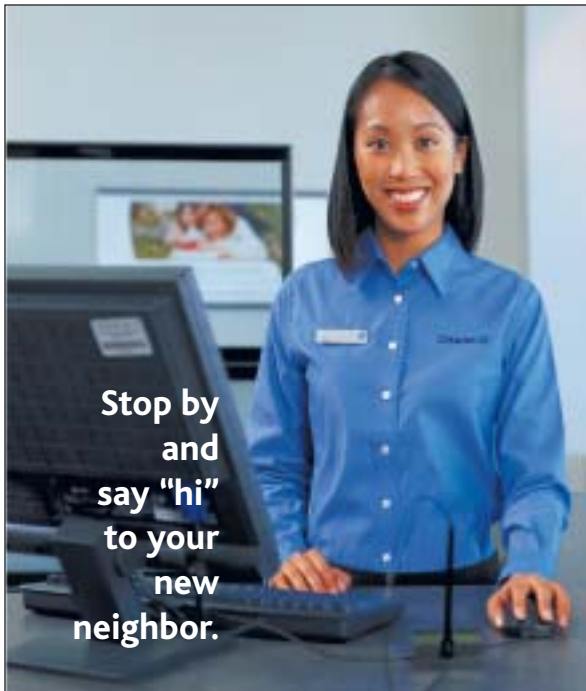
at 167 Clermont Avenue
between Myrtle & DeKalb Aves.

...Where Life Long Learning Begins...
Serving ages 2 - 6

✓ Licensed by the Department of Health Bureau of Day Care
✓ New York State Certified teachers
✓ Arts & Crafts
✓ Computers in Classrooms
✓ CPR and First Aid Certified Staff
✓ Enrichment Programs
✓ Full/Half Day, Extended Day and As Needed Hours

✓ Fully Air Conditioned
✓ Indoor Gym
✓ Integrated Program
✓ Nutritional Breakfast/Lunch available, Free or at Reduced Rate
✓ Reading Readiness
✓ Safe and Nurturing environment
✓ Spacious Well-Equipped classrooms

DON'T DELAY, REGISTER TODAY. SEATS ARE LIMITED.
Contact: Janet Williams, Program Director
(718) 854-3710, childstudyctr@aol.com



Stop by
and
say "hi"
to your
new
neighbor.

New Branch Now Open:

5423 8th Avenue
8th Ave & 55th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11220
718.435.0639

Chase is proud to join your neighborhood and make better banking more convenient than ever.

YOUR CHOICE. YOUR CHASE

© 2006 JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. Member FDIC.

Seek downzone on Fourth 3 years late

By **Christie Risk**
for The Brooklyn Papers

A group of Fourth Avenue activists wants the city to rein in development along a booming strip that was upzoned just three years ago to encourage the very boom that's going on.

The group, Fourth Avenue Neighborhood Preservation, wants to revise the 2003 zoning law that allowed construction of taller buildings between Sixth

and 15th streets.

"The city should really take another look at it," said Jerry Speier, a committee spokesman. "Aesthetically, these buildings [are] quite ugly. It would be a bad mistake to build them."

Speier pointed to several new buildings, on Fourth Street and on 11th Street, as examples of developers gone wild.

And size is not the only issue, he said. Increased building heights mean added residents, who bring traffic, parking problems, and a strain on existing

public transportation and schools.

The upzoning allows the construction of 12-story condo towers — and several are nearing completion. Speier called them "out of context with the rest of the area."

But that, city officials said, is just the point. The 2003 upzoning of Fourth Avenue was part of a compromise that included a downzoning of low-rise residential side streets.

"Upzoning Fourth Avenue balanced [that] downzoning," said City Councilman Bill De-

Blasio (D-Park Slope), adding that the upzoning of Fourth Avenue would "increase the supply of affordable housing."

As a result, DeBlasio said he was very much opposed to tinkering with it. "There's already been a very, very extensive public process around this issue and it was decided," he said.

Speier's group held its first meeting last week. Only state Sen. Velmaette Montgomery (D-Boerum Hill) came — an indication that the group faces a difficult political struggle.

BID boom on Fifth

The Brooklyn Papers

The BID bug is spreading deep into Park Slope.

With Downtown Brooklyn, Flatbush Avenue, Sunset Park and Bay Ridge already carved into business improvement districts, merchants on Fifth Avenue have proposed just such a zone from Dean Street to 23rd Street.

Businesses within the zone would pay an extra tax that would go towards maintenance and security in the area. City taxes already cover such things, but business leaders across Brooklyn have followed Manhattan's lead and looked to BIDs as a way to improve the service they get from city agencies.

"Let me keep my mind on business and let someone else worry about cleanliness," said Howard Mankin, who owns Aaron's clothing store on Fifth Avenue at 17th Street and attended a first meeting about the proposed BID earlier this month.

Merchants' payment would depend on the size of their property and the annual tax would not run above \$485 for most merchants, according to Tony Giordano, who organized the BID in Sunset Park and spoke at the Nov. 6 meeting.

Before a new improvement district can be created, a majority of property owners within its boundaries must approve it, and the plan must pass a public approval process.

If approved, the latest proposed district would allow a trash-sensitive pedestrian to cross from one end of Brooklyn to another without ever leaving a BID.

— Ariella Cohen

Panoramic NY harbor & skyline view

206 Court St.
(718) 596-3333

See our listings:
COBBLEHEIGHTS.COM

3 story, 2 family frame in Sunset Park.
3 BR, landscaped garden. \$699,000

"We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails."
— Bertie Calway

Chanie Schwartz
CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™
Investment Advisor

Financial Planning Services

- ✓ Insurance Assessment
- ✓ College Funding
- ✓ Asset Allocation
- ✓ Cashflow Analysis
- ✓ Retirement Planning
- ✓ Budgeting - Gifting
- ✓ Estate Planning
- ✓ Wealth Accumulation

295 Madison Avenue, NYC **Call 212-661-5190**
investedinterest@verizon.net **FREE CONSULTATION!**

CFP® CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® **CFP®**

The certification marks shown are owned by Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc., and are awarded to individuals who successfully complete CFP Board's initial and ongoing certification requirements. Investment planning through Securities America, Inc. Member SIPC (Securities Investor Protection Corporation) through Securities America Advisors, Inc. Chanie Schwartz, Representative. A financial interest and Securities America are not affiliated.

THE INSTITUTE FOR LIVING JUDAISM IN BROOKLYN

Sunday, Dec. 3, 10 AM...

JEWISH VIEWS OF SEXUAL DIVERSITY
A Symposium

Rabbis: Gordon Tucker, Dov Linzer, Leonard Levy, Sara Lev, Ayelet Cohen
Moderated by Rabbi Joseph Potasnik

East Midwood Jewish Ctr, 1625 Ocean Ave, (K & L)
\$7 admission

For More Information: 718 339-0230
Visit us at: www.iljb.org

YOU CAN'T PUT A PRICE ON PEACE OF MIND — THAT'S WHY OUR MEDICARE PLANS START AT \$0.



AT HEALTH NET, WE BELIEVE THAT MEDICARE PLAN PREMIUMS SHOULDN'T CUT DEEP INTO YOUR BUDGET. If you're not sure whether your current plan best suits your needs, we can help. Together, we'll walk through the Health Net color quiz. Based on your answers, we'll help you figure out which one of our simple, color-coded plans may be right for you.

WE OFFER A VARIETY OF PLANS.

- Combined medical and drug plans from \$0 per month.
- A drug plan option with no gap in generic drug coverage.
- No copayments for most preventive services.
- Plans that include dental coverage.

FIND OUT MORE BY ATTENDING A LOCAL SEMINAR.

George's Restaurant

November 27th & 29th, December 4th & 6th — 10:00 A.M. & 11:30 A.M.
5701 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11220

Galaxy Diner

November 28th — 10:00 A.M.
805 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207

Bridgeview Diner

November 30th — 10:00 A.M.
9011 3rd Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209

Call **1-800-949-2512 ext. 2163** to reserve your seat at a seminar.
(TTY) **1-888-747-2424** for the hearing impaired, 8 A.M. — 8 P.M., 7 days a week.
WWW.ABETTERDECISION.COM

Health Net of New York, Inc. is an organization with a separate annually renewed Medicare contract and is a subsidiary of Health Net, Inc. Anyone with Medicare Part A and Part B may apply. Beneficiaries must continue to pay their Part B premium (and Part A, if applicable), if not otherwise paid for by Medicaid or another third party. The availability of coverage beyond the current contract year (2007) is not guaranteed. Health Net is a registered service mark of Health Net, Inc. All rights reserved. A sales representative will be present with information and applications. To arrange for accommodation for persons with special needs at sales meetings, call 1-800-949-2512 ext. 2163, (TTY) 1-888-747-2424 for the hearing impaired, 8 A.M. — 8 P.M. 7 days a week. H3366_2007_073 (10/06)

seventh ave. FRAMING

- Custom Framing
- Ready-Made Frames
- Posters & Prints
- Friendly Service

374 7th Avenue
(bet. 11th & 12th Sts)
718-832-0655

One stop shopping for all your hardware needs

Plumbing • Electrical • Hardware Supplies • AND MORE!

25 lbs. of Rock Salt
for \$3.00 with a purchase of \$25 or more
WITH THIS COUPON ONLY!

Prospect Hardware (718) 788-7100
517 7th Avenue (near 17th St.) Park Slope, Brooklyn
Mon-Fri: 7:30am - 5pm • Corporate Accounts Welcome

STAIR LIFTS

FREE Estimate and in-home consultation
FREE Installation
FREE Delivery

DERMER PHARMACY & SURGICAL
2064 Flatbush Ave. • (718) 377-4900

GLASSES YOU WILL LOVE TO WEAR, WITH LENSES PERFECTLY PRESCRIBED

Specialists on Staff:
Kevin S. Meyers, M.D., Ophthalmology
Eric Colman, O.D., Optometry

- Comprehensive Eye Exams
- Prescription Filled
- Contact Lenses
- Glaucoma And Cataract Testing And Treatment
- Laser Vision Consultation

Most Medical Insurance Accepted • Union Plans
Medicaid • Medicare • Discounts For Senior Citizens

9th Street Optical

332 9th Street (between 5th & 6th Ave.) Brooklyn
718-965-2545

GROOMING • BOARDING Dogs & Cats • Your Inspection Invited!

We Service the **Movie Stars!**

WE SHIP **24 Hours Express**

PUPPIES & KITTENS!
Best Health • Home Bred • Temperaments

★★★★★
5 STAR

(718) 258-2342

PuppyParadise.com
2082 Flatbush Ave. Bklyn, NY

A-Z Dental, PC Family Dentistry

Gentle, Painless Touch

- FREE Examination and Consultation with any dental work
- Insurance and Medicaid plans accepted
- Ultimate 4-step sterilization
- Comprehensive Care, including teeth whitening, bad breath, etc.

\$55 EXAMINATION, NECESSARY X-RAYS AND TEETH CLEANING with this ad

332 9th St. (718) 832-1222
(Bet. 5th-6th Aves.) www.azdental.com

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK •

POLICE BLOTTER

Armed man collared for Slope burgs

By Lilo H. Stainton
The Brooklyn Papers

Police arrested a 47-year-old East New York man on multiple armed robbery charges on Monday, claiming he held up two Flatbush Avenue franchises during separate daylight heists last week, sources told The Brooklyn Papers.

Detectives linked the man, who had a record of less-violent crimes, to a Nov. 13 robbery attempt at a chain drug store near Prospect Place and a successful heist, two days later, at a donut shop at St. Marks Place, police said.

In the Nov. 15 attack, the robber escaped with \$500 in a waxy pastry bag; the earlier heist was thwarted by a single-minded clerk and the high cost of cigarettes.

In the first crime, a 21-year-old clerk said the suspect came into the drug store at 10:20 am and purchased a pack of Newport cigarettes. When he asked where the Advil was stocked, the clerk directed him to the proper aisle, and the man drifted away from the counter.

When he returned, he got on line behind several people. The suspect allowed everyone else to pay before he approached the counter again — without the Advil. Instead, he drew a black handgun from his waistband, and insisted the clerk open the cash register.

The woman told him she couldn't do so, without keys or a purchase. The gunman offered to buy a second pack of cigarettes — but with only \$5, he didn't have enough, the clerk told him. Frustrated, the thief bolted, offering his best Arnold impression: "I'll be back."

But the robber didn't return to the drug store. Instead, he waited two days and targeted the closest franchise of a national donut and coffee emporium, cops said.

A 20-year-old counter worker said the robber burst inside at 5:25 pm, with his black handgun drawn. The thug trained the weapon on the woman and insisted, "Put the money in a bag. Back up."

The woman complied and the thief snatched the wax-covered bag and bolted, \$500 richer.

Detailed descriptions of the suspect, plus security video from both locations, helped police from the 78th Precinct find the suspect.

Cab driver robbed
This time, it was the driver that was taken for a ride.

A female passenger robbed a cabbie at knifepoint after he drove her to Ninth Street on Nov. 16, police said.

The driver picked up the woman on the corner of Fourth Avenue and Union Street, shortly after midnight. She asked for a ride to Ninth Street.

When the cab driver pulled up near the corner, around 12:30 am, the passenger reached through the partition with a knife and held it to the driver's neck. "Give me your money," the thug insisted.

Instead, the driver jumped from the car and ran to Prospect Park West, where he found a phone booth and called 911. Meanwhile, the thief grabbed the driver's black knapsack from the front seat and bolted into the darkness.

Police are looking for a white Hispanic woman, 5-foot-5 and 120 pounds, with short, black hair. That night she dressed in a black skirt and black shirt and packed a 5-inch blade.

The stolen bag held the cabbie's eyeglasses and \$100 in various denominations.

Prowler's day out
A man with a ponytail stole two computers from one apartment and awoke a sleeping woman in another unit in a building on 10th Street just off Fifth Avenue on Nov. 17, police said.

A third-floor tenant returned home at 4 pm to find someone had entered his apartment through the bathroom window. The burglar, who paid a visit after he left for work at 8:30 am, left with laptops from Dell and Toshiba.

A witness in the building spotted the burglar, described by police as a white Hispanic man, 5-foot-7 and 140 pounds, with black clothing and long, dark hair, tied into a ponytail.

A 26-year-old tenant said she awoke at 11:30 pm to find that same prowler standing inside her room. She confronted him, and the stranger insisted, "Your door was open." He then asked her where the landlord lived, and left.

The woman was not physically harmed, and nothing was taken from her home, police said.

Two units targeted
Two apartments inside a Ninth Street building suffered break-ins on Nov. 15, but police don't know if the same burglar hit both.

A 24-year-old fourth-floor resident left home, near Third Avenue, at 8 am. When he returned at 6:20 pm, the front door was damaged and his Apple laptop was missing.

When police arrived they learned a second-floor tenant had also been burglarized. The 42-year-old man left at 11 am; when he returned at 1:45 pm, he found that someone had forced in his front door. Missing was assorted jewelry, worth \$2,000, two black leather coats and \$2,500 in cash.

verses & reverses

BY LEON FREILICH

We again invited Leon Freilich, the poet laureate of Park Slope, to weigh in with some low-cal verse. Here is this week's poetic offering.

Boom with a View

New Brooklyn lacked just one amenity.
And though it took it with serenity,
Its fullness now is soundly thorough:
Hotels are booming throughout the borough,
Jump-started by the bridge-side Marriott.
They're circling the area like a larist.
The inn — for too long out — is visible

So visitors to nabes are kissable
Close to friends and sites and relations,
In suites the envy of the nation's.
The old St. George, of love and story,
Is sadly now a dormitory.
But still, smart hotels are nourishing
A New Brooklyn that's proudly flourishing.

EXPRESS CAR WASH

• Wet Wax
• Clean Wheels
• Hand Towel Dry

\$2.76 plus tax

LUCY'S CAR WASH
7th Avenue & 19th Street
(718) 768-WASH • Open 7 days, 7am-11pm

GRAND OPENING WEEKEND
FRIDAY NOV. 24TH - SUNDAY 26TH

3.1 by Phillip Lim • Acne+
Alexander McQueen • Chloe
Diane Von Furstenberg
Emilio Pucci • Hogan
Jimmy Choo • Marc Jacobs
Matthew Williamson • Mayle
Missoni • MIU MIU
Moschino • Sass & Bide
Superfine • Tsubi • Zac Posen

ZOË
DUMBO
70 Washington Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
718.237.4002

WWW.SHOPZOEONLINE.COM

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY 11-7
THURSDAY - FRIDAY 11-8
SATURDAY 11-7 SUNDAY 12-6

34 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
ONE DAY SALE

\$0 INITIATION ONLY \$79 PER MONTH*
FOR A 10½ MONTH MEMBERSHIP

EA EASTERN ATHLETIC

PROSPECT PARK	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 12-7PM 17 EASTERN PARKWAY AT GRAND ARMY PLAZA	718 789-4600
BROOKLYN HEIGHTS	MONDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 12-9PM 43 CLARK STREET BETWEEN HENRY & HICKS	718 625-0500
METROTECH	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 12-9PM 333 ADAMS STREET AT THE MARRIOTT HOTEL	718 330-0007
TRIBECA	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 12-9PM 80 LEONARD STREET BETWEEN B'WAY & CHURCH	212 966-5432

*MEMBERSHIP FEE IS PAID IN FULL IN ADVANCE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP TERM (FROM THE DATE OF JOINING THROUGH 11/1/07). THIS INTRODUCTORY OFFER IS FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY. PHOTO ID REQUIRED.

Mailboxes
2 months FREE!
 when you purchase 10 months @ \$14.98/mo.
plus FREE incoming fax service
 ***** WE SELL METRO CARDS *****

FedEx Authorized FedEx Shipping Center
 FedEx Air pick up 7pm daily

NYC 6904 Colonial Road
 Postal Service (718) 238-4200
 Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm; Sat: 10am-5pm

CINNABON
coffeelattas The Ultimate Flavored Coffee Experience
 Indulgent Coffees, Cinnamon Style

\$1 off
 regular or large
 Coffeelatta
 Exp. 12/30/06

8612 3rd Avenue • (718) 238-3092

Fast Alterations Dry Cleaning

Tailor J, Inc.
 278 73rd St.
 (718) 835-8725
 tailorj.com
 Mon-Sat: 8:00am-7pm

Mugger targets dead tired man

By Lilo H. Stainton
 The Brooklyn Papers
68th Precinct

A sound sleeper slumbered through a robbery and didn't wake up to the reality for more than a day, cops said.

On Nov. 12, a 26-year-old man boarded a Bay-Ridge bound R train at Fourth Avenue and Ninth Street, at 6:40 a.m., and fell asleep somewhere between the 25th Street and 59th Street stations, he told police.

While he slept, thieves slashed his pocket — but the exhausted man didn't notice anything. When the train reached the end of the line, the victim stumbled to his home on Marine Avenue, near 93rd Street. He was asleep in his own bed within an hour.

The following day, after a good rest, he noticed a tear in the back, right pocket of his jeans. Missing from the pocket was his beige wallet and the goods inside.

The mystery thief escaped with a debit card, the man's driver's license, credit cards and \$70 — all in singles. When the victim called his credit card company, he learned one card had quickly been used to purchase two multiple-ride MetroCards.

Robbers score
 They came in through the bathroom wall, not the window. Burglars ripped a hole in the roof and then tunneled into the bathroom to get into a 65th Street supermarket that was

closed for the night on Nov. 14, police said.

The digging paid off: the thieves smashed open five cash registers and escaped with \$10,000 from the store, near Ninth Avenue.

When a 37-year-old worker arrived for work the next morning, he found the hole in the roof. Another passageway had been torn through the bathroom wall, providing access to the market.

Purse grab

A robber pushed a woman to the pavement during a Nov. 16 robbery on 71st Street, police said.

The 59-year-old victim was walking near Fort Hamilton Parkway when the thief rushed her from behind. He knocked her down, grabbed the bag and ran.

The thief — whom she did not see — escaped with her insurance information, driver's license, MetroCard, cellphone and \$150.

Surprise visit

This was no dream — it was a nightmare. And it was reality.

A Shore Road woman awoke to hear a crash on Nov. 18 and rushed to her living room to see a hooded burglar disappear over the balcony, police said.

The 18-year-old was startled by the shattering of the living-room door in her home, near 98th Street, around 1:30 a.m. The man also saw leap away was dressed in all black, with a hood and gloves.

Police searched the area but

couldn't find the prowler, who fled empty-handed. The woman wasn't injured.

Bar bummer

A thief swiped a woman's purse when she left it unattended briefly inside a Fourth Avenue bar on Nov. 11, police said.

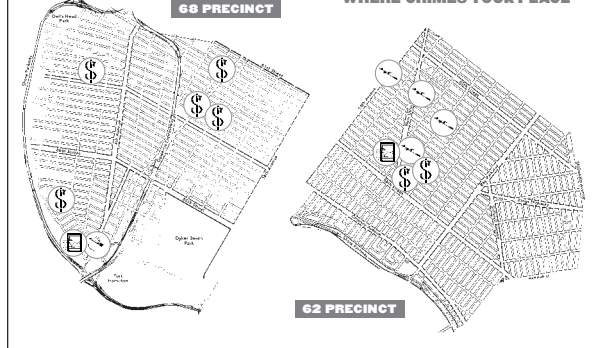
The victim said she was inside the tavern and eatery, near

100th Street, around 3 a.m. when she put the bag down. Five minutes later, it had disappeared — along with her designer sunglasses and her wallet, which held \$300, five credit cards and a driver's license.

Jewels stolen

If diamonds are a girl's best friend, one Bay Ridge woman must be very lonely.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH WHERE CRIMES TOOK PLACE



KEY TO THE CRIMES
 Break-in, Robbery, Assault, Death, Car stolen, Arrest, Purse snatch, Armed robbery, iPod-like device taken

A burglar swiped \$8,000 in valuables — including a wealth of diamonds and gold — from a Fort Hamilton Parkway home on Nov. 16, police said.

The 49-year-old victim left her home, near 71st Street, at 9 a.m. When she returned at 6 p.m., she found her bedroom and den ransacked. Missing was \$3,000 in cash, a PSP game, a diamond necklace worth \$2,000, and several diamond rings, diamond and gold bracelets and gold chains.

Light-burg

Vandals stole the popular headlights from an Acura parked on 73rd Street overnight, police said.

The Xenon lights — worth over \$1,000 each on the black market — disappeared from the 1999 sedan sometime between 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 18 and 12:30 p.m. the following day. The 56-year-old owner had parked the blue four-door near Ridge Boulevard.

62nd Precinct

Fake cop slash

Talk about overkill.

A thief posing as a police officer invaded a man's home, bound him with duct tape and electrical wires, sliced his fingers and threatened to kill him — all for 25 cents.

At just after 7 a.m. on Nov. 7, a 28-year-old man was asleep at his 70th Street home, near 16th Avenue. The fake cop tied him to a chair, then used a knife to cut his fingers and insisted he would do worse, if the victim didn't point him to the cash. Apparently, a mere quarter-dollar was enough, since the thief left and the victim survived.

The victim described his attacker as a 40-year-old Hispanic white man, who had previously followed him home.

Delivery heists

Several days and a few blocks separated two knife-point attacks on Asian food delivery men last week, police reports show.

On Nov. 14, at 9:30 p.m., a mugger stole an unknown amount of cash from a man dropping Chinese food at an apartment on 84th Street, near 19th Avenue. The victim delivered the meal without incident, and then found himself face-to-face with a 5-foot-8 man with a knife.

"Give me the money," the thief insisted.

Apparently, the victim had little. The robber grabbed the food instead and ran off along 19th Avenue before the victim could get a good look.

And on Nov. 17, just before 6 p.m., a Japanese food delivery man was robbed in the hallway of a building on 81st Street near 19th Avenue. When the 26-year-old victim arrived at the building, he realized the unit that supposedly ordered the food didn't actually exist. As

the victim prepared to leave, a stranger rushed him in the hall. The thief, armed with a knife, grabbed his bankroll — \$105 — the food, and disappeared up the stairs into the building.

Police searched the building but couldn't find the mugger, described as a white man in his mid-20s.

Beer-bash bust

Police arrested a 42-year-old woman after she allegedly bashed a man with a Heineken bottle inside an 18th Avenue bar on Nov. 19.

It's not clear what sparked the 1:30 a.m. argument between the bottle brute and her 46-year-old victim. But when police arrived at the club, near 73rd Street, they learned the suspect had used a 12-ounce glass bottle to clock him above the left eye, leaving a deep cut.

The woman now faces felony assault charges.

Crutch handy

A married couple faces assault charges after police arrested them for beating another man with a wooden crutch inside a Bensonhurst apartment on Nov. 16.

The 44-year-old victim said he was attacked inside the 71st Street unit, near 14th Avenue, around 5:30 a.m. It was not clear what he was doing inside the apartment, which belonged to the couple.

The 47-year-old husband allegedly beat the victim on the back of the neck with the crutch while his wife, 42, threatened further harm with a metal bat, police said. The victim was not seriously injured.

Seek knifeman

A man was stabbed in the stomach as he walked on 18th Avenue just after dusk on Nov. 14.

The 35-year-old victim was not far from 78th Street when the attacker appeared. The brute plunged a knife into his left side, one time, and ran off before the victim could get a good look at him. The victim was treated at Victory Hospital for the wound.

Cops have few details, they said.

Burglars busted

Police caught a break — before it became a break-in.

Two out of three teenage burglars now face felony charges following a Nov. 16 break-in attempt at a house on 81st Street, near 17th Avenue.

Police arrived around 4 p.m. to find the eldest of the group, 18, acting as a lookout while his accomplices tried to pry open the back door of a home. But the lookout may need glasses.

Cops nabbed him and one of his two accomplices, both age 17, before they could escape. The third would-be thief did get away, but nothing was stolen.

Lutheran Medical Center.
 The Best Rated
 Hospital in Brooklyn.

LUTHERAN MEDICAL CENTER is proud to have received the 2006 Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence™ from HealthGrades®, one of the nation's leading health care rating organizations. This award ranks Lutheran Medical Center among the top 5% of all hospitals in the nation.

In fact, Lutheran Medical Center is the ONLY hospital in Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island and the Bronx to achieve this award, which recognizes those hospitals that provide the best overall outcomes for patients.

Lutheran Medical Center also received the 2006 HealthGrades Excellence Awards for Gastrointestinal Care, General Surgery Care, Pulmonary Care and Stroke Care.

Best rated health care that's close to home — everyone deserves it. And now, Brooklyn has it.

To reach a Lutheran HealthCare physician, call 1-718-630-RXRX (7979).

Lutheran Medical Center
 150 55th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11220
 1-718-630-RXRX (7979)
 www.LutheranMedicalCenter.com

HEALTHGRADES
 GUIDING AMERICA TO BETTER HEALTHCARE™

STAIR LIFTS

FREE Estimate and in-home consultation
FREE Installation
FREE Delivery

DERMER
 PHARMACY & SURGICAL
 2064 Flatbush Ave. • (718) 377-4900

CB10 fights strip club on Fourth

By Matthew Lysiak
for The Brooklyn Papers

A proposed strip club on Fourth Avenue in Bay Ridge hasn't opened yet, but the local community board is already looking for a way to keep the neighborhood fully clothed.

"My phone has been ringing off the hook," Community Board 10 District Manager Josephine Beckmann said at a

meeting on Monday night. "A lot of seniors are very upset about this."

"This" is a sign posted on the now-vacated Reagle Beagle, a bar between 90th and 91st streets, that advertises the grand opening of Club Shadows on Nov. 30.

The sign shows a silhouette of a curvy woman and promises "exotic dancers."

After Beckmann gave her report, she was drowned out by groans.

Beckmann later told The Brooklyn Papers that she has tried to contact the club's owners, but has gotten nowhere.

She added that the club has not applied for a liquor or cabaret license, two possible ways of blocking its opening.

"I've asked the local law enforcement to help unravel the mystery," she said.

Beckmann told the three-dozen audience members that the board would try to block the potential peep show, which

cannot be located within 500 feet of a residential zone.

"I have been doing some research," Beckmann said, "and I think we have what we need" to block it.

On Tuesday, that process began, with someone lodging a complaint against the "nude dancing" club with the Department of Consumer Affairs (who can't investigate until the joint opens).

"The complaint put it on our radar screen and we can certainly inspect it when it opens," said agency spokeswoman Jennifer Givner.

Beckmann vowed to go further. If Club Shadows attempts to open on schedule, she said she would be there with cops (who enforce liquor license violations), and inspectors from the Department of Consumer Affairs (who will want to see a valid cabaret license).

— with Gersh Kuntzman



End near for HS stink

The Brooklyn Papers

City Councilman Vince Gentile (D-Bay Ridge) and Fort Hamilton HS principal JoAnne Chester prepare to formally christen a new trash compactor at the school.

But don't believe everything you see: The bottle isn't Champagne, but sparkling cider — "The school is a drug-and-alcohol-free zone, of course," said Gentile spokesman Eric Kuo — and the pair never

actually smashed it on the compactor (because that would create more trash, of course).

The good news is that Fort Hamilton is now one of only a handful of schools to receive such a machine — which will help answer neighbors' long-standing complaints that the stench of garbage wafts across their backyards. There have also been numerous rodent sightings.

"We've got 4,000 students, but Sanitation will only pick up once a week," said

Chester, who praised Gentile (Fort Hamilton HS, class of '77) for helping cut through the bureaucracy. Gentile agreed.

"Quality of life complaints are taken very seriously by my office," he said. "Getting rid of the smell of the trash, the sight of the trash, the space it took up ... were all taken care of with the installation of this trash compactor."

Gentile might have gotten praise, but Chester admitted that she ended up with the sparkling cider. —Kuntzman

Skeleton in the closet

Association Press

A man hoping to reconcile with his parents made a grisly find in their Bay Ridge apartment, police said. The corpse of his father, who died three years ago.

Police said Paul Iversen went to his parents' Bay Ridge Parkway apartment on Tuesday to reconcile with his mother after years of estrangement. When he arrived, his mother, Joanne, told him his father, Frank, had died, police said.

Then she showed her son the skeletal remains of an adult man, stored under bed covers in her bedroom, according to police.

Iversen, 73, told her son and cops that she never reported her husband's death because she wanted to continue collecting his Social Security benefits, the Daily News reported.

The medical examiner was to conduct tests to confirm the identity of the remains, Police Sgt. Mike Wysokowski said. No charges have been filed.

Neighbors at the Iversens' building, which is between Ridge Boulevard and Third Avenue, said Joanne Iversen had told them her husband was simply away.

"I said, 'I haven't seen your husband,'" she said, "He's in Philadelphia." She told others "Long Island," said an upstairs neighbor, Vincent Clements.

Several neighbors said they noticed a foul smell emanating from the Iversens' first-floor apartment but could not fathom the source.

"We complained a lot, but I never would have guessed there was a body inside," said neigh-

bor Carole Clements.

All the while, Joanne Iversen continued to interact affably with her neighbors, several said.

Loose Dentures?

GO AHEAD....

Eat what you want!

Visit Dr. Tony Farha in the morning, have the "Mini-Implant System" placed in less than two hours, then go out and enjoy your favorite lunch. No more messy adhesive or pastes.

As recently demonstrated by Dr. Tony on ABC & Fox News



- This advanced system is FDA Approved.
- It is a **one-step**, non-surgical procedure.
- No sutures, nor the typical months of healing.
- No pain or discomfort.
- Affordable (Payment Plans available and Insurance coverage).

Dr. Tony is recognized as a Professor of the Mini Dental Implant.

***ONLY \$495**

FOR DENTURE!

Limited Time Offer

*with a purchase of MDI

Call today for your **FREE Consultation**

718-833-6895

461 77th St. - Bay Ridge • 1412 Richmond Rd - Staten Island

www.oraldentalcare.com

YOU CAN'T PUT A PRICE ON PEACE OF MIND — THAT'S WHY OUR MEDICARE PLANS START AT \$0.



AT HEALTH NET, WE BELIEVE THAT MEDICARE PLAN PREMIUMS SHOULDN'T CUT DEEP INTO YOUR BUDGET. If you're not sure whether your current plan best suits your needs, we can help. Together, we'll walk through the Health Net color quiz. Based on your answers, we'll help you figure out which one of our simple, color-coded plans may be right for you.

WE OFFER A VARIETY OF PLANS.

- Combined medical and drug plans from \$0 per month.
- A drug plan option with no gap in generic drug coverage.
- No copayments for most preventive services.
- Plans that include dental coverage.

FIND OUT MORE BY ATTENDING A LOCAL SEMINAR.

George's Restaurant

November 27th & 29th, December 4th & 6th — 10:00 A.M. & 11:30 A.M.
5701 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11220

Galaxy Diner

November 28th — 10:00 A.M.
805 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207

Bridgeview Diner

November 30th — 10:00 A.M.
9011 3rd Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209

Call **1-800-949-2512 ext. 2163** to reserve your seat at a seminar.
(TTY) **1-888-747-2424** for the hearing impaired, 8 A.M. — 8 P.M., 7 days a week.
WWW.ABETTERDECISION.COM

Health Net of New York, Inc. is an organization with a separate annually renewed Medicare contract and is a subsidiary of Health Net, Inc. Anyone with Medicare Part A and Part B may apply. Beneficiaries must continue to pay their Part B premium (and Part A, if applicable), if not otherwise paid for by Medicaid or another third party. The availability of coverage beyond the current contract year (2007) is not guaranteed. Health Net is a registered service mark of Health Net, Inc. All rights reserved. A sales representative will be present with information and applications. To arrange for accommodation for persons with special needs at sales meetings, call 1-800-949-2512 ext. 2163, (TTY) 1-888-747-2424 for the hearing impaired, 8 A.M. — 8 P.M. 7 days a week. H3366_2007_073 (10/06)

Lutheran Elementary School
OF BAY RIDGE *Established 1957*

Enroll Now for September 2007

Limited Openings Grades Nursery-8
Junior High Advanced Honors Program Offered in Math and Language Arts
Computer Lab, Instrumental, Vocal, Art and Drama Programs
After School Program also available.

OPEN HOUSES
Thurs., Nov. 30 & Tues., Dec. 5
9-11am

440 Ovington Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11209

Lorraine M. Tuccillo, PRINCIPAL
Sponsored by Bethlehem Lutheran Church
www.bethlehembayridge.org

Loose Dentures?
GO AHEAD....
Eat what you want!

Visit Dr. Tony Farha in the morning, have the "Mini-Implant System" placed in less than two hours, then go out and enjoy your favorite lunch. No more messy adhesive or pastes.

As recently demonstrated by Dr. Tony on ABC & Fox News

• This advanced system is FDA Approved.
• It is a **one-step**, non-surgical procedure.
• No sutures, nor the typical months of healing.
• No pain or discomfort.
• Affordable (Payment Plans available and Insurance coverage).

Dr. Tony is recognized as a Professor of the Mini Dental Implant.

Call today for your **FREE Consultation**
718-833-6895
461 77th St. - Bay Ridge • 1412 Richmond Rd - Staten Island
www.oraldentalcare.com

OUR OPINION

Shelly gets one right

WE'VE CERTAINLY HAD our disagreements with Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, but the Manhattan Democrat earned our Hero of the Week award for his righteous broadside against state development czar Charles Gargano on Sunday.

Appearing on WNBC's "News Forum," Silver said what virtually no one has had the guts to say, namely that Gargano, who came to power after serving as George Pataki and Al D'Amato's haggan, is the "most corrupt" of Pataki's rubenstamper.

Silver excoriated Gargano for running the Empire State Development Corporation the way he worked for D'Amato — treating government as if it's supposed to be an arm of big business.

"Take a look at what he did to economic development in this state," Silver said. "He has interests that obviously lie opposite the state of New York during his entire 12 years in this administration."

Silver was referring to Gargano's reported holdings in a company that eyed gambling in the Catskills — and surprise, Pataki supported it, too. But Silver was also raising larger questions of Gargano's vision of development as a cash machine for well-connected developers like his boss's old law school pal, Bruce Ratner.

As the Brooklyn Papers has long reported, Gargano's ESDC picked Ratner to develop the rail yards in Prospect Heights and got the MTA to sell the development rights for tens of millions below the agency's own assessed value —

all in a sham process that excluded other able developers and ignored public concerns.

And along the Brooklyn Heights and DUMBO waterfront, Gargano threw out two decades of work done by community leaders who hoped to build a real park, in favor of a scheme that would turn the so-called "Brooklyn Bridge Park" into a front yard for luxury condos that will reap millions for Gargano's development pals while limiting access to the waterfront for the rest of us.

Such projects exist because "the governor [picked] his fund-raiser rather than an economic development professional" to run the ESDC, Silver said.

We couldn't agree more. We hope incoming Gov. Eliot Spitzer will do better.

ALL DRAWN OUT



Chris Fleming

LETTERS

Writer swings against the bat ban

Opting out of home delivery

Every week, we deliver copies of The Brooklyn Papers to homes throughout Brownstone Brooklyn. Our unique system limits deliveries to two papers per building eliminating the kind of clutter caused by circular and menu delivery services.

We hope everyone appreciates our free home delivery, but realize there are exceptions to every rule. If you've received The Paper at home and no longer want this free service, you may "opt out" of our delivery program by filling out the online form at BrooklynPapers.com/html/about/optout.html

Send a letter

By mail: Letters Editor, Brooklyn Papers, 55 Washington St., Brooklyn, NY 11201

By fax: (718) 834-9278.

By email: Letters@BrooklynPapers.com
All letters must be signed and include the writer's home address and phone number (only the writer's name and neighborhood are published with the letter). Letters may be edited and will not be returned. The earlier in the week you send your letter, the better.

To the editor,

Though your story on non-wood bats propelling baseballs "faster and higher" may have been accurate nine years ago, rules adopted by both the NCAA and American Federation of High School Athletics during the last decade ensure that aluminum bats now perform no better than their wood counterparts ("City Council goes batty over wood," Nov. 10).

The Brown University study to which you refer was completed in 1997, before the NCAA and AFHS drafted the aforementioned bylaws.

Furthermore, the Brown report found no proof that aluminum bats were more dangerous to players. It's hardly surprising that misguided proponents of a ban on aluminum bats in New York City high school baseball cite this outdated and obsolete study, every single other piece of data — including a University of North Carolina report from last month — has found that aluminum and wood bats are now on equal footing.

Richie Christie, Flatbush
The writer is North Division Baseball Director of Protect Our Nation's Youth

Co-op no pushover!

To the editor,

I just want to set the record straight regarding the recent thefts at the Park Slope Food Co-op ("Has lefty ethos at Slope Food Co-op led to crime?" Nov. 11). By the time your paper went to press, one of the thieves was behind bars. An alert

staff member had recognized this thief in the Co-op. She was familiar with his picture from our surveillance cameras.

With the help of co-workers and members, the police were summoned. Thanks to the speedy response of the 78th Precinct, the thief was arrested. The detectives said that he was wanted for a number of other violations, and that they anticipated he wouldn't be getting out of jail anytime soon.

Several months ago, another staff member recognized a different thief out on the street, she followed him and the police were called. This thief was found to be carrying goods stolen from another neighborhood store. So we're not pushovers. We are helping to get criminals off the street. Our security cameras are very good, we have a committed staff and we do prosecute thieves!

Yes, our members do feel at home in the Co-op and let down their guard. Thefts from members are a rare occurrence here, as our 12,800 members are overwhelmingly honest. But, hey, we can't forget that the Park Slope Food Co-op is indeed in New York City.

Janet Schumacher, Park Slope
The writer is a general coordinator of the Park Slope Food Co-op

Hell-icopters

To the editor,

The story of dead ends and frustration over helicopter noise ("Copter complaints go unanswered," Nov. 11) rang a loud bell for me. My block, just off Cadman Plaza West, has been suffering from

early morning chopper racket for well over a year. Several times a week, a chopper hovers somewhere over Tillary Street beginning around 6:15 a.m.

What useful purpose can possibly be worth disturbing the pre-dawn peace of hundreds, possibly thousands of sleeping citizens? And who is responsible, anyway?

Martin I. Schneider, Brooklyn Heights

Uncool party

To the editor,

Here we are in the year 2006 and some people with all education and media still don't understand how much pain they can inflict on another human being.

At a Halloween party at a restaurant on Court Street, two people came dressed in costume as stereotypical Afro-Americans. They had on Afro wigs, black paint on their faces and hands, and gold teeth.

As a black American, I was so shocked that I got up and left. This was one of the most demeaning things I have seen since I've lived in Carroll Gardens.

Reginald O. Johnson, Jr.,
Carroll Gardens

Officer did right

To the editor,

I thought you should get the other side of the story about the Sanitation Department issuing tickets to merchants on 86th Street (Harest retailers not surprised; say sanitation police wrongfully

ticket their stores all the time," Nov. 4).

I've lived in the area all my life, and for 40 years, I've seen store owners put used fluorescent lightbulbs in the niches of the elevated train trestle, because they don't want to throw them out themselves. They don't come out of the clear blue sky. When I was a kid, we used to take the bulbs out and play Roman gladiators with them.

The way I see it, the Sanitation officer was breaking the bulbs so the street sweeper could clean them up. And I thought he was doing a good thing.

Peter McCann, Bensonhurst

Domino's effect

To the editor,

Just wanted to say "bravo!" for your piece on Domino's "Brooklyn-style" pizza ("You call THAT a Brooklyn pie?" Nov. 11). I only hope the national newswires spread the shame far and wide. I'm confident that the "Brooklyn-style" pizza will pass through the marketplace as swiftly and uncomfortably as a typical slice of Domino's passes through my gastrointestinal system.

If I may be so bold, I'd like to make one suggestion: I'd appreciate if your writers would stop using the word "fetid" with every reference to the Gowanus Canal. How are we ever going to bring up the image of the canal and neighborhood if it is consistently denigrated by the local press?

Peter Drogan, Park Slope



Brooklyn's REAL newspapers

Published weekly by Brooklyn Paper Publications Inc. at 55 Washington St., Ste 624, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Phone (718) 834-9350
Established 1978. Copyright 2006. • Ed Weinrobb, President (ext 105)

PUBLISHER Celia Weinrobb (ext 104)

EDITOR Gersh Kuntzman (ext 119)

SENIOR EDITOR/PRODUCTION MANAGER Vince DiMiceli (ext 125)

GO BROOKLYN/BROOKLYN BRIDE EDITOR Lisa J. Curtis (ext 131)

ART DIRECTOR Leah Mitch (ext 127)

OFFICE MANAGER Charna Brown (ext 101)

COMPOSITION OWNERSHIP: Copyright 2006 Brooklyn Paper Publications Inc. All content prepared by our staff, including ARTWORK, DESIGN and COPY, remain the sole property of The Brooklyn Papers and may not be reproduced without the Publisher's written permission.

EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS: The Brooklyn Papers assumes no responsibility for unsolicited materials. Articles, story ideas, letters, photography and all other materials delivered to The Brooklyn Papers, whether or not solicited by Publisher or Publisher's agent and whether or not they contain or are otherwise accompanied by restrictions on publication or use, will be treated as an unconditional assignment to The Brooklyn Papers for publication and copyright purposes, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Publisher prior to publication. All submitted material becomes the property of The Brooklyn Papers which may edit, publish and assign the material for use in any medium now known or later developed. Submissions will not be returned and may not be acknowledged.

ADVERTISING: Subject to Terms Governing Acceptance of Advertising published in our latest rate card. CIRCULATION: Not based on period norms.

NATIONAL AFFILIATIONS: The Brooklyn Papers is a member of Independent Free Press of America (IFPA), Suburban Newspapers of America (SNA), and the National Newspaper Association (NNA), listed in 2005.



Use EPIC and Medicare Drug Coverage Together to Save More!

EPIC, New York State's senior prescription plan, has been helping eligible seniors save money on their prescription medications for many years.

Now, EPIC can be used together with Medicare Part D coverage to help you save even more on your prescription medications. Medicare also provides a special benefit for seniors with limited incomes and resources called Extra Help. It is not too late to receive this benefit and EPIC can help you apply.

To learn more,
call 1-800-332-3742

(TTY: 1-800-290-9138),

or mail the coupon below to:

EPIC

P.O. Box 15018

Albany, NY 12212

Yes, I'm interested in saving money on my prescription drugs. Please send me a free EPIC brochure.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____

State of New York • George E. Pataki, Governor

Tish courts MSG on Yards

Hopes Dolans can stop Ratner's plan

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

First A.M.E. Zion Church
54 MacDonough St.
(bet. Tompkins & Marcy Ave.)
Brooklyn, NY 11216
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Midweek
Service/Bible Study 6:30 pm
(718) 638-3343
Dr. Daniel H. Mitchell, Pastor
UMC 18

Congregation Kol Israel
Located in Prospect Heights since 1924
603 St. Johns Place
Tel. 638-6583
Rabbi Elanah Schwartz
Fri. at Sunrise • Sat. 10:20 am
Rabbi David
638-6583

Cong. B'nai Jacob
Park Slope Synagogue
401 99th St. bet. 6th & 7th Ave.
718-832-1266
Services: 7:15 Morning Minyan
Shabbat: Fri. Sundown • Sat. 9:20 am
CLASSES/EVENTS/HOLIDAYS
www.parkslopebny.org L30-34

Union Temple

Park Slope's Friendliest Reform Congregation
SHABBAT SERVICES
First Friday monthly 6:30 p.m.
Followed by Potluck Dinner 6:15 p.m.
All other Friday evenings 10:30 a.m.
Saturday mornings 10:30 a.m.
17 Eastern Parkway
at Grand Army Plaza
638-7600
Rabbi Dr. Linda Henry Goodman

B'nai Abraham
of Brooklyn Heights
117 Remsen St. • 596-4840
Rabbi Aaron Raskin

Candle Lighting

Toldot
Nov. 24, 4:15 pm
Yavetzi
Fri., December 1, 4:15 pm

By Ariella Cohen

The Brooklyn Papers

With Bruce Ratner's Atlantic Yards project just days away from approval by the Empire State Development Corporation, anti-Yards City Councilwoman Letitia James courted Ratner's politically connected Madison Square Garden rival.

James (D-Prospect Heights) met Tuesday with a lobbyist for Charles and Jim Dolan, the father-son team that owns Cablevision, MSG, Radio City Music Hall and the Knicks — and was a key force behind blocking the West Side Jets stadium project last year and derailing the MTA's train station last month.



Letitia James



Charles Gargano

Ratner opponents have hoped that the Dolan family would jump into the Atlantic Yards fight, given how Ratner's proposed Nets basketball arena could cut into the clan's business.

State planners are nervous about it.

Last week, ESDC Chairman Charles Gargano said he was "sure [the Dolans] are working in the background [to halt Atlantic Yards]."

Gargano said that he had no evidence to prove that the company was meddling again — except, of course, its track record of blocking the Jets stadium and the train station, both ESDC projects.

"Based on recent experi-

ence, I wouldn't put it past them," Gargano snipped.

The state's development czar is still haunted by memories of the more than \$10 million in ads, lobbying and legal work that the Dolans spent to kill the West Side stadium, a potential rival of "The World's Most Famous Arena" just a few blocks to the east.

The company focused its lobbying effort on Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver (D-Manhattan), whose daughter was hired by MSG during the showdown over the West Side stadium, according to the New York Post. Then again, Ratner hired state Senate Majority Leader Joe Bruno's son as a lobbyist in 2003, although he no longer works for the New Jersey Nets owner.

In this context, James' meeting with the Dolan lobbyist didn't come out of nowhere. With the project about to be approved by the ESDC, it's logical to reach out to the team that successfully defended its turf.

Neither party would comment on the content of the meeting, but Dolan representatives had previously told the Councilwoman that they planned to stay out of this fight, a source familiar with the discussions said.

"They don't want to be seen as total monopolists," the source said. "They must have seen that this one is not worth the risk."

And this time, Silver doesn't appear to be open to serving the Dolans' interest at Atlantic Yards.

"We'll look at [Atlantic Yards] in a very favorable light because development is necessary down there," Silver said on WNBC's "News Forum" on Nov. 19.

But that doesn't mean he couldn't resist a parting shot at Gargano, who will leave office when Gov. Paterson does on Dec. 31 and is hoping to make Atlantic Yards one of his boss's legacies — rather than hand it to incoming Gov. Spitzer.

"Take a look what he did to economic development in this state," Silver said. "He has no credibility here. He has interests that obviously lie opposite the state of New York."

He stopped Ratner ... for a bit

Testimony had been forgotten

By Ariella Cohen

The Brooklyn Papers

He didn't do it with a lawsuit. He didn't do it with a law suit. In fact, he didn't do anything at all — but Prospect Heights resident Raul Rothblatt managed to grind Bruce Ratner's \$4.2-billion Atlantic Yards megaproject to a halt this week because the state forgot to include his testimony in its final review of the development.

The project's final environmental impact statement, which had been accepted by the Empire State Development Corporation last week, was recalled on Monday because Rothblatt's — and others' — public comments failed to be included in appendix of the 4,500-page document, as required by law.

Two binders of Rothblatt's testimony — Binder 1 and Binder 3 — made it into the appendix, but not Binder 2, he said.

"It was a critique of the logic" of the DEIS, said Rothblatt, whose call to the ESDC's Manhattan headquarters set into motion the bizarre retraction just hours after the agency had

crowded about the document's release.

ESDC Chairman Charles Gargano said the public comments had been "inadvertently excluded" and that the FEIS would be amended.

"It is essential that the public comment process be faithfully followed in letter and spirit," he said in a statement.

ESDC spokeswoman Jessica Copen added: "We are still working out what happened."

Copen said the new analysis could force the FEIS to be rewritten, though it's unlikely. But either way, Rothblatt's keen eye will make it at least somewhat more difficult for state officials to approve Atlantic Yards before Gov. Paterson — a project supporter — leaves office on Dec. 31.

State law requires at least 10 days between the recertification of an FEIS and its approval.

"I feel amazed and a little incredulous that my little submission could stop this whole thing," Rothblatt crowed, a little delirious after the unexpected success of his opposition to

the project.

Meanwhile, incoming Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries (D-Prospect Heights) told a Fort Greene neighborhood group that he supports delaying the approval of Atlantic Yards until Eliot Spitzer can take over as

Brooklyn Dog House

daycare & boarding

718 222-4900

7am-10pm weekdays, 9am-10pm weekends

- 2 supervised playgrounds — fun & SAFE
- web cams — watch your dog play
- curbside pick up and drop off
- air-conditioned / sprinklered building
- individual attention
- multi-pet & long-term boarding discounts

327 Douglass (at 4th Ave in Park Slope)
brooklyndoghouse.com

KEYSPAN
Energy Delivery
Climate is everything™

Part of what we do keeps you warm & cozy.
Part of what we do keeps you safe & sound.

People know us as the company that delivers clean, reliable natural gas for use in homes and businesses throughout our area. But we do more than that. We're also committed to ensuring the safety of our community.

We work with federal and state regulators.
Close cooperation ensures that our already-extensive pipeline-integrity management programs meet or exceed all regulations.

We use the latest technology available.
Continuous assessment of pipeline integrity is achieved through regular surveys and corrosion monitoring using cutting-edge technology.

We incorporate three different assessment methods.
We identify areas of concern and prioritize them. Then we manage them according to established engineering practices.

We've developed emergency and communications plans.
The goal is to inform and educate emergency responders, public officials and the general public about pipeline awareness and safety.

Of course, the safety of our communities depends on everyone's help. In fact, there are a few things you can do, too.

Be aware of pipeline locations.
Since most pipelines are underground, pipeline markers are sometimes used to indicate their approximate location. In some cases, pipelines are not marked, so it's important to have pipeline locations identified before any excavation begins.

Call before you dig.
The law requires excavators to contact the One Call Center 2 to 10 days before work begins on public and private property, so the location of underground facilities can be marked. Call 1.800.272.4480 or go to nyc1call4dsi.com.

Recognize potential emergencies.
A gas leak is usually recognized by smell (a distinctive, pungent odor similar to rotten eggs), sight (a white cloud, blowing dust mist or bubbles in standing water) or sound (an unusual roaring, hissing or whistling).

Respond properly to gas leaks and other pipeline emergencies.
Do not smoke or operate electric switches, appliances or equipment. Do not attempt to locate the leak. Do not use any phones near the leak. Move to a safe environment. Call KeySpan Energy Delivery immediately at 1.718.643.4050. Do not assume someone else will report the condition.

Together we can continue to keep our communities safe and warm.

For more information on natural gas pipeline safety, visit our web site at keyspanenergy.com.

GREAT GIFT IDEAS

FROM THE WORLD'S FAVORITE MUSICAL INSTRUMENT STORE

Sam Ash MUSIC STORES

CALL FOR MANY MORE GIFT IDEAS!

\$399.99

Save **\$133.33!**

Ibanez

Ibanez RG350MDX Electric Guitar (White)
The RG350DX gets a facelift with a maple fingerboard plus striking black inlays and hardware. A Sam Ash Exclusive!
IRG350MDW List: \$533.32 • Save: \$133.33!

Groove Percussion.

GET THE GEAR YOU NEED!

\$199.99

Save **\$200!**

Groove Percussion G1045 Children's Drum Set
The 1045 Junior Drum Set is a smaller-sized, complete kit for that little rocker in your life! G1045XXX List: \$399.00 • Save: \$200!

FAMOUS FOR DISCOUNTS SINCE 1924!

Brooklyn
2600 Flatbush Ave.
(718) 951-3888

Manhattan
160 W 48th Street
(212) 719-2299

www.samashmusic.com

St. Ann and the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
presents their 14th Annual

Christmas Greens & Crafts Fair

Saturday, December 2nd
157 Montague St. — Brooklyn Heights
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Free Admission

One-of-a-kind hand crafted items
perfect for holiday gift giving!

Also available: fresh Poinsettias, Wreaths,
Garland & our Bolton Window Cards

For Information call (718) 875-6960

COFFEES, GIFT BASKETS, & GOURMET FOODS

"D'Amico: The Best Cup of Coffee in the City"

— Fox 5 Good Day New York

309 Court Street • damicofoods.com • (718) 875-5403

'TIS THE SEASON

to make us a priority on your housewares shopping list

TARZIAN WEST

29 years in business

194 Seventh Avenue (at 2nd St.)
(718) 788-4213

M-F: 10am-7pm; Sat: 10am-6:30pm; Sun: noon-5pm



(718) 834-9350

The Brooklyn Papers' essential guide to the Borough of Kings

November 25, 2006

Best of the fest

Local filmmakers are celebrated at Avignon/New York festival

By Lisa J. Curtis

GO Brooklyn Editor

For a film festival that bills itself as the "transatlantic crossroads of independent cinema," programming features, documentaries and shorts made in the United States and Europe, it seems surprising that a first-time director from Windsor Terrace would beat the global odds and take home a gold statuette.

But on Sunday night, it was indeed the votes from the audience of the 12th annual "Avignon/New York Film Festival" that garnered Dan Eberle, 32, the "21st Century Filmmaker Award for Best U.S. Feature" for his first feature-length narrative, "JailCity."

"This is the only time I've ever won anything — except for academic scholarships," Eberle told GO Brooklyn.

"I'm absolutely delighted. I had a feeling we would win, but I'm sure other people did too, people who had more experience or a better relationship with the press. But winning is obviously very important to my future. [Festival] are the gatekeepers in terms of press coverage and distributors."

Eberle said the idea for the film, which he wrote and directed, stemmed from a short story he had written in his 20s.

"I was always sort of haunted by the idea of coming home after being institutionalized — not that I was ... You're coming back and need to find a way to reconnect with people," said Eberle. "[In 'JailCity,'] [Nick] Bobby's character [Hector Ramos, Jr.] is under house arrest with a father [played by Paul James Vasquez] that he doesn't know or like very much, so he's trying to resist this and deal with it in some way."

"Meanwhile, his father is desperate to make things better and to make up for things he's done wrong over the years ... and my character [George Wilson] is trying to make up for being a role model for his little brother, who is dead because he was trying to be like him. The characters are trying to go back in time and fix things, and of course, you can't. And you'll make yourself crazy trying to do it."

Festival director Jerry Rudes told GO Brooklyn, "JailCity" had a special resonance for the audience this year because of the Iraq veteran that comes back ... and isn't ready for any untimely or bullshit and is extremely tied to his family."

Although Eberle said he was hopeful that



Golden opportunity: At the closing night ceremonies for the "Avignon/New York Film Festival" on Nov. 19, Windsor Terrace writer-director Dan Eberle (at left) took home the "21st Century Filmmaker Award for Best U.S. Feature" for "JailCity." (Above) Eberle as George Wilson in a scene from his film, opposite Gavin Lewis.

his movie, which was largely shot in Kensington, Windsor Terrace, Cobble Hill and Park Slope in January, would take home the Roger statuette for "Best U.S. Feature," he was afraid that its moments of violence would repel Avignon's audience.

"The film is extremely intense," he explained. "That's what we wanted, but the violence is such that I wasn't sure it would resonate with an indie film crowd ... But there is a part of the film that deals with the futility of revenge, so we needed the audience to see what it is and to make it as real as possible. But there's not very much in terms of violent acts, you'll see more [on the television series] '24' than in 96 minutes of this film. But when it does happen, it is very personal and very up-close."

Eberle said he has submitted the film to many more festivals, including the Brooklyn International Film Festival, and hopes that the contacts he is making during his upcoming tour of the festival circuit will help him to secure a distributor for "JailCity" and the financing he needs to make another film in the

spring. Being able to boast that he shot "JailCity" in two weeks, with a budget of \$15,000 — coupled with his latest laurel — can't help but impress fiscally conservative potential backers.

The closing night award ceremony at the Danny Kaye Playhouse in Manhattan wrapped the Avignon festival, which also



Grape expectations: Movies directed by Park Slope actor-filmmaker John Turturro (at left), who was presented with the first Chateau-neuf-du-Pape Cinema Award, were shown as part of the Avignon Fest, which opened on Nov. 15 with "The Big Bad Swim" (right), directed by fellow Sloper Ishai Setton.

CINEMA

For information on upcoming screenings of "JailCity," visit www.jailcityfilm.com. For upcoming screenings of "The Big Bad Swim," visit www.learnhowtoswim.com.

paid homage to Park Slope actor-writer-director John Turturro and his directorial efforts ("Mac," "Illuminata," and the yet-to-be-released musical, "Romance and Cigarettes," which features James Gandolfini, Susan Sarandon and Kate Winslet).

At a pre-fest gala dinner on Nov. 12, Turturro was presented with Avignon's first annual Chateau-neuf-du-Pape Cinema Award. Rather than bestowing the recipient of the Cannes Film Festival's golden camera award (for 1992's semi-autobiographical "Mac") with yet another trophy, Avignon's intoxicating prize enticed Turturro to a supply of wines — over the course of a decade!

Another Brooklynite feted by the Avignon festival was Park Slope director Ishai Setton, 26, whose feature film debut "The Big Bad Swim" secured the coveted opening night film slot on Nov. 15.

In Setton's crowd-pleaser, a diverse group of adults (including Carroll Gardens' Jess Weidner as confident beauty Jordan) gather at a suburban recreation center to learn how to swim from unflappable hunk, Noah (Jeff Branson of "All My Children").

"We selected it for the opening night film because of its warm-heartedness and humor," said Rudes. "It needed support and it should have already been picked up [by a distributor]."

The film, which was also included on the program of this spring's Tribeca Film Festival, is currently considering several offers for distribution, according to "Big Bad Swim" producer Chandra Simin.



Grape expectations: Movies directed by Park Slope actor-filmmaker John Turturro (at left), who was presented with the first Chateau-neuf-du-Pape Cinema Award, were shown as part of the Avignon Fest, which opened on Nov. 15 with "The Big Bad Swim" (right), directed by fellow Sloper Ishai Setton.

CINEMA



Jewish docs

Congregation B'nai Abraham in Brooklyn Heights hopes to lure neighbors into a dialogue about Jewish history and culture — as well as contemporary issues facing the community — with a film festival.

Set to run on consecutive Saturday evenings from Nov. 25 through Dec. 9, the "Brooklyn Heights Jewish Film Festival" will feature screenings of three recent documentaries: "Resisting Forces," "A Cantor's Tale" and "Protocols of Zion."

"This was a great way to explore themes of Jewish culture and identity to people who may ordinarily not enter a synagogue," said Simcha Weinstein, coordinator of the festival and a rabbi with a degree in film history.

The series is scheduled to open with a screening of "Resisting Forces," Renee Sanders's 2001 film about how members of the Jewish Council of Eisenstadt, a Dutch city near the German border, risked their lives to save one-third of its Jewish population during the Holocaust. The documentary is a very personal work for Sanders, whose grandfather, Gerand Sanders, was one of those who sacrificed his life so that others might live.

"I am a documentary filmmaker from Amsterdam ... and I am in New York quite often because I have made a number of films of Dutch-Jewish history, and people seem to be very interested to see my work because most people here in the United States hardly know anything about Dutch-Jewish history," Sanders told GO Brooklyn in a phone interview Monday. "They only know about Anne Frank and that's about it."

Sanders said she heard about the upcoming film festival during a recent visit to Congregation B'nai Abraham. After talking to the rabbi there, she was convinced her film would make an appropriate addition to the line-up.

"People need to distinguish things for themselves; they need to distinguish between good and evil and have the courage to make their own decisions at some point," she said.

The second film in the series will be the Brooklyn premiere of "A Cantor's Tale," Erik Greenberg Anjou's feature-length look at "hazzanut" or Jewish liturgical music, as well as the contributions of the Brooklyn-born cantor Jacob Mendelson. Jackie Mason, Alan Dershowitz, Ben-Zion Miller, Mati Lazar and Alberto Mizrahi all appear in the film. (A photo of Director of Photography Sam Henriques on location is pictured at top.)

"We've been very blessed with the movie," Anjou told GO Brooklyn. "The movie has done extraordinarily well, particularly in the Jewish world. It has played at between 55 and 60 film festivals, so it is kind of one of the hottest movies on the circuit. Each community has its special niche and its special thing to offer."

So, what does Anjou (pictured above with cantor Mendelson) want audiences to take away from the film?

"For those who aren't familiar with cantorial music, [the film gives] a heightened appreciation of classical, Ashkenazic cantorial music," Anjou said. "I would also like to see the wall between Orthodox and Conservative Judaism lowered a little bit. There seems to be a lot of antipathy from one side to the next. Really, the only way the Jewish people are going to survive in full strength is if everybody gets along."

"Part of that means doing something really difficult — going against rabbinic law," continued the filmmaker. "There is a rabbinic prohibition that basically frowns upon the woman's voice leading prayer. One of the only ways cantorial music will survive is if women can become cantors of the tradition. That's going to call for a real revolution of people's attitudes and outlooks."

The final screening in the series will be Marc Levin's "Protocols of Zion," a searing look at the rise in anti-Semitism since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Inspired by Levin's own confrontation with an Egyptian cab driver who claimed Jews were warned not to go to work at the World Trade Center on 9-11, the 2005 film features interviews with Arab-Americans, black nationalists, Christian evangelists and white supremacists in an effort to get at the root of the hatred.

In keeping with the festival's mission to spark conversation, Sanders is confirmed to speak after the screening of her film and Anjou will take questions after the showing of his film.

"It is very important to have the filmmakers in attendance," Weinstein observed. "It adds credibility and excitement to the screenings."

"The Brooklyn Heights Jewish Film Festival" takes place on Saturdays, from Nov. 25 through Dec. 9 at 8 p.m., at Congregation B'nai Abraham (117 Remsen St. between Clinton and Henry streets in Brooklyn Heights). Admission is \$5. For more information, contact Simcha Weinstein, (718) 596-4840, ext. 15.

—Karen Butler

'Martha' falls for Red Hook's 'salty' charm



Convicted kitchen queen Martha Stewart has developed a craving for a Red Hook favorite: salty cake.

"We fell in love with it, and apparently, so did Martha," said Renato Polifino, co-owner of Baked and inventor of the soon-to-be-famous "Sweet and Salty Cake," which will be featured on the Nov. 29 episode of "The Martha Stewart Show."

The contradictory confection is a traditional chocolate ganache and caramel layer cake with just one kicker: approximately a teaspoon of "fleur de sel," also known as sea salt.

Crystals of sodium chloride lace the caramel filling and dust the sides of the dark chocolate cake, much like that other white granule would in a less sophisticated cake. "You need less sugar because salt brings the element of sweet out," said Polifino, sounding a little like

Stewart himself. (Polifino is pictured far left with Matt Lewis and Rafi Avramovitz.)

Local popularity has kept the "S" and "S" as cake-of-the-month for six months running.

"It's hit-or-miss with non-traditional cakes, but the salty was a hit," said Kristine Moberg, a baker.

The famously finicky culinary diva sampled several of the bakery's goods, including Baked's popular red velvet cake, before falling for its riff on the salty caramel common in France's Brittany region.

And now that Stewart is taking the salty cake to the masses, the bakery's neighbors may be able to enjoy the dessert for another six months.

Moberg, the baker who will appear live on the show with Stewart, explained, "If a cake proves itself, we aren't going to stop making it."

"Sweet and Salty Cake" will be featured on "The Martha Stewart Show" on Nov. 29 at 10 a.m. For a limited time, the cakes can be purchased at Baked (329 N. Burnt St. between Wolcott and Clarkson streets in Red Hook). For more information, call (718) 222-0345 or visit the Web site, www.bakednyc.com. —Ariella Cohen

Black Pearl Restaurant & Bar
833 Union St. bet. 6th & 7th Ave.
crabfood • raw bar • steaks • pasta • brickoven pizza

BRUNCH
sat & sun
11am - 4pm

Unlimited Mimosas & Bloody Marys
for Brunch
3pm - midnight

DINNER
7 days
3pm - midnight

718-857-2004 • www.blackpearlbg.com

APARTMENT 138

GRUB + SPIRITS + GAMES

DINNER SUNDAY - THURSDAY 5PM TILL 1AM
FRIDAY - SATURDAY TILL 2AM

\$10 BRUNCH SATURDAY @ SUNDAY

138 SMITH ST. BROOKLYN 11201
708-858-0556

CEBU

SUPPER 5PM - 3AM
COCKTAILS 12PM - 4AM
BRUNCH SATURDAY & SUNDAY

880J 3RD AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK
718-492-5095

SUNDAY & MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SPECIAL

EVERY 2ND BEER FREE
HALF PRICE FOOD
(one per customer)

NEW!

Karaoke Friday Nights
9pm to 1am with Mike Sisco!
Starting October 27th

Coraline Cafe

480 62nd St. (off of 5th Avenue) • Open Sun-1am
(718) 492-6698 • www.coralinecafe.com

100 Wine Tips

Here are Darrin's November Best Buys!

By Darrin Siegfried

Grüner Veltliner, Berger Organically grown and a full litre for under ten dollars! Imported by our friend Terry Therie, this fresh, lively white wine has abundant citrus, floral and mineral notes on the nose and on the palate. There are dozens of wines that deliver so much "bang" for so few "bucks". **\$9.95**

Bordeaux 2005, Château la Rose Tour Blanche The first 2005 Bordeaux on our shelves! This property is owned and run by the Millard family, who have been on a mission to make hedonistic, full-flavored, high quality Bordeaux wines. This charming red has aromas of wild cherries, wet slate, smoke and green moss. On the palate, cinnamon, berries, Oriental spices and plums. Let's all drink more Bordeaux! **\$9.95**

Côtes du Rhône, Domaine de la Buissonne An excellent wine from one of the Rhône's best small producers! This beautiful red is a blend of Grenache, Cinsault, Syrah and Mourvèdre from 25 year old vines. Enticing nose of black cherry with flavors of black currant and raspberry. Excellent with rich and full flavored dishes such as sausage, pepper steak, Shepherd's pie, casseroles, lamb and grilled meats. **\$9.95**

Merlot/Syrah, Tendem Rich and structured, deeply flavored and supple on the palate. Wait until you see the enchanting deep red color in your glass. Rich with black currant and licorice scents, with flavors of cherry and red currant filling your palate. This "country wine" shows remarkable concentration for such a well priced wine. Smooth, soft and so easy to drink...with just about anything! **\$8.95**

Buy Darrin's Best Buys 4 Pack and Save 10% **\$34.94**

Darrin's Discovery Wines for November!

Sauvignon Touraine, Mathur Our good friend Michael Lerner keeps finding these delicious, well-priced wines for us! The wine has an aromatic nose with notes of melon, grapefruit, honey, spices and minerals showing. Lively in the mouth with layers of pure fruit flavors, plenty of intriguing complexity, lovely balance and a long, silky finish. The enticing aromas of melon and grapefruit come through on the palate, and there is a clean and refreshing feel of bright acidity. This is a Must Buy from the Loire Valley, home of great Sauvignon Blanc. **\$11.95**

Salice Salentino, Terra Saracena More proof that Apulia has become a center for high-quality wines at bargain prices! Salice Salentino is made from the Negroamaro grape, with small amounts of Malvasia added for depth and for an added aromatic layer. This wine is an intense ruby red with flashes of orange at the edges. An intense nose of berries and traces of wood smoke fills the glass. On the palate, the wine is dry, very well balanced, full bodied and shows flavors of raisins, cherry, wild field herbs and a lovely, earthy note. This is my favorite with pizza, sausage & peppers, lasagna...all of those old-fashioned "red sauce" dishes that never go out of favor. **\$15.95**

Sauternes, Château Villefranche This wine is a steal! Plenty of that apricot-honey flavor that only a good Sauternes possesses, this wine drinks like you paid at least 50% more for it! Good complexity and plenty of the Bortyris character that makes this "King of Wines" as rich as it is. While Sauternes is the finest dessert wine in the world, it's not only for dessert! I know of no better match with Pâté de Foie Gras, and with rich, ripe blue cheeses it's a divine match! Sauternes this good at this price will not last long, so buy some today! **\$16.95**

Buy Darrin's November Discovery 3 Packs Save 10% **\$41.28**

November's Cellar Selection is Here... and We Did the Cellaring for You!

Here's one that you can enjoy right now! It's a shame that we rarely have the chance to drink well-aged, mature wine. Too many times the better wines that we love are gone long before they have had the chance to come together, to reach their potential, to achieve the rich smoothness that can only be achieved with aging. Well, here's your chance to buy a wine that has already been held in the climate controlled cellars of the importer for over six years, and now he's released it to me for a song! This wine is so delicious, has such depth and complexity, that it tastes like a \$40 bottle! If you love mature wines, or if you'd simply like to find out what difference aging can make on a better red wine, here is your chance! Heady aromas of berries, cherry, wild field grasses and wet slate. On the palate, layers of ripe fruit and several berries, an earthy component, a hint of leather and a faint trace of tar. Do not miss out on this one!

Brendi "Mon Mayor" Monferrato 1998 **\$19.95**

Red White & Bubbly

211 Fifth Avenue
(bet. Union & President) PARK SLOPE
Open: Mon-Sat, 10am-10pm, Sun, 12-8pm
www.redwhiteandbubbly.com • 636-9463

COMING FALL 2006

"Combining Spa & Wellness with Medicine"

Steven Calvino, MD Louis Traneese, DO

LOMA Wellness Center

PHYSICIAN-DIRECTED

LIFE-STYLE MODIFICATION • SPORTS MEDICINE • PHYSICAL THERAPY
ORTHOPEDIC REHABILITATION • PAIN MANAGEMENT • NUTRITION COUNSELING
ACUPUNCTURE • MASSAGE THERAPY • FACIAL/BODY SERVICES
ANTI-AGING TREATMENTS • AESTHETIC/PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY

71 Carroll Street Brooklyn, NY 11231 • www.lomawellness.com

BRICK OVEN PIZZA comes to Park Slope!

• Orzschetti with Broccoli Rabe & Sausage
• Chicken Eggplant • Josephine's Eggplant Parmesan
• Homemade Manicotti • Sunday's Sauce

426 A 7th Ave.
New York, NY 11215 • **FREE DELIVERY**
(718) 369-8315
Mon-Fri: 12-11pm • Sat-Sun: 12-mid

Anthony's Brick Oven PIZZA

MEXICAN HEAVEN!

SPECIALTIES

- Homemade Mole Poblano Sauce
- Gringas (meat pork quesadilla with pineapple & cheese)
- Enchiladas Bolognesas (meat red sauce with Bolognese)
- Tequila Mojitos

Tacos Nuevo Mexico
489 5th Avenue (11th & 12th Sts.) Park Slope • (718) 832-0050
We're also in Sunset Park: (718) 686-8151 & (718) 633-1006
Open 7 days: Mon-Th 11am-midnight, F & Sat 11am-2am

PRIVATE PARTY SPACE
FOOD • POOL TABLE • GARDEN

HAPPY HOUR
M-F: 3-7pm
\$3 Beer, Wine & House drinks
1/2 PRICE BASKET OF WINGS with this coupon

NFL, NCAA and NBA Packages

The Lighthouse Tavern
243 Fifth Avenue, between Carroll & Garfield
718-788-8070 • www.lighthouseatavern.net • Zagat Rated

VACCARO

DINNER SPECIAL
Mon-Thurs 4pm-closing
10 appetizers
8 pastas
11 entrees **\$20**

3 course LUNCH
Mon-Fri **\$12**

Having A Party?
Private Party Room Accommodates Up To 50 People
Office Parties, Reunions, Graduations, Showers, Christmas & More!
6716 Fort Hamilton Pkwy • near 67th St. in Dyker Heights
• (718) 238-9447

CHEESECAKE \$15 (30% off 2nd eske)
Assortment Pastry & Cakes
Hot Noodle Soup
Sushi Fans & Teriyaki Box
Fresh Squeezed Juice & Espresso
Field Green, Wrap & Sandwich Zone

GRAND OPENING

Morning Breakfast from 7am-11am
Cafe Hours: Mon. to Sat. 6:30am-7:30pm • Sun. 9am-7:30pm
8701 5th Avenue, Brooklyn (bet. 86th & 87th Street)
Tel 718.238.0888 • No Delivery

AUTHENTIC DOMINICAN CUISINE

"Como Como en su Casa"
(eat like at home)

Pepper Steak - \$9.20 • Paella - \$14.70
Lobster tail stuffed with crabmeat - \$29.90

Private dining room for parties

International RESTAURANT
Serving the community for 20 years

4408 5th Ave., (bet. 44th & 45th Sts.) • (718) 438-2009
Open 7 days, 6am-midnight • **CLUB**

Free Delivery (\$10 min.)
CLOSED ON MONDAYS

100% VEGAN

spot

156 5th Ave. (btwn Douglass & Degrav)
Park Slope, Brooklyn
718.622.2275 • thevegetarianpot.com
Latin, Italian, American & Mediterranean
Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten Free

NEW BEST MARGARITA IN BROOKLYN

Tex Mexican Cuisine
Reasonable Prices
FREE DELIVERY!

EXICALI Restaurant

Available for parties
Saturday & Sunday brunch
includes complimentary drink

141 Court Street
(between Atlantic & Pacific aves)
(718) 625-7370 • **CLUB**
Sun-Thurs: 12-10:30pm; Fri & Sat: 12-11:30pm



Lost and found

La Brunette's chef emerges at the helm of Slope's new Latin restaurant Palo Santo

By Tina Barry
For The Brooklyn Papers

In 2002, I visited a restaurant in Williamsburg called La Brunette. It was a small place with a chic, modern interior. Although the entry got a lot of hype early on for its hip ambience and consistently fine French-Caribbean menu, a few months later, it closed.

I'd wondered what happened to its talented chef, Jacques Gautier, who left the eatery not long after I dined there. In August, when I heard that he had resurfaced with his own place in Park Slope, I knew a visit was in order.

At a recent dinner in his restaurant, Palo Santo (named for the South American tree), I found him in good form. He has fashioned an inviting, informal space with a menu that reflects his Caribbean family's roots and extensive cooking experience in Europe. The menu, which changes daily according to what's market fresh, is "eclectic Latin," which means that a succulent duck leg will be served with a rich mole sauce and mustard greens, and a salad of mixed greens will include strips of poblano chile pepper and tart vinaigrette dressing.

Gautier has transformed the street level space of a brownstone into a warm, Latin-inspired environment. You can spot the restaurant, which sits between Fourth and Fifth avenues on a moodily residential street, by the decorative railing leading to the building's second floor.

In the dining area are wooden tables designed and built by Gautier using salvaged wood. Perched along the lengthy counter, diners are afforded a view of the kitchen where a mosaic installation by Alonso Tamayo runs the length of the wall.

If you sit at the counter, you should consider trying Gautier's tasting menu. He'll chat with you as he cooks, creating dishes to your specifications. For a

Custom made: (Top) At Park Slope's Palo Santo restaurant, diners can pull up a stool to the kitchen counter for chef Jacques Gautier's tasting menu. (Above) Gautier's menu, which changes daily, has featured items such as "tuna a la plancha" with purple potatoes and string beans.



vegetarian, he'll set forth a selection of meatless plates. If you're a seafood lover, you can feast on fish, and so on.

Simple pairings, often balancing tart, lemony notes against sweeter, richer flavors, give his dishes complexity.

An appetizer of half a grilled quail features half of the little bird. It's intensely rich with moist, dark meat and a brittle skin that stays crisp — even with a fragrant, garlicky smear of "chimichurri" (an Argentinean herb sauce). A brightly flavored, lemon-enhanced ratatouille (eggplant stew) makes a toothsome partner.

Gautier enhances the meaty quality of bluefin tuna slices by searing them briefly, then adding a bit of aioli on the side. The sauce has a mild hit of garlic that doesn't compete with fish. Crisp string beans and slices of radishes in a citrus dressing brighten the plate.

An entree of four grilled, Mayan shrimp is intriguing. The sweetness of the huge, head-on prawns in their shells is amplified by moist, briny rice flavored with black squid ink and an herb, called "marsh samphire," that tastes a bit like watercress.

DINING

Palo Santo (652 Union St. between Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope) accepts cash only. Entrees: \$9-\$19. Breakfast is served Monday through Friday. Lunch is served daily, and dinner is available Tuesday through Sunday. Closed Monday nights. The restaurant will be closed Nov. 25-26. For more information, call (718) 636-6311 or visit the Web site at www.palosanto.us.

Each of the three desserts on the menu is enjoyable. Bittersweet chocolate pudding is too rich for a single person. Order it for a table of chocolate lovers so each person can have a single bite. Lime pie is dense yet creamy with a buttery, gingernap crust, and coffee creme brulee has enough espresso beans to ward off sleep for a week.

At the moment, the liquor license hasn't been granted, so it's bring your own bottle. When it comes through, Gautier will only serve wines from South American vineyards. Don't let that stop you from visiting. When a chef is in his element, as Gautier is behind the stove at Palo Santo, you eat well.

Park can be a luscious treat or an arid disappointment. Gautier's tenderness (a cut of meat that can be dry due to its low fat content) is crusty on the outside and dripped juice when I cut into it. He serves it with a beer-enhanced sauce and a stack of roasted sweet potato slices.

Each of the three desserts on the menu is enjoyable. Bittersweet chocolate pudding is too rich for a single person. Order it for a table of chocolate lovers so each person can have a single bite. Lime pie is dense yet creamy with a buttery, gingernap crust, and coffee creme brulee has enough espresso beans to ward off sleep for a week.

At the moment, the liquor license hasn't been granted, so it's bring your own bottle. When it comes through, Gautier will only serve wines from South American vineyards. Don't let that stop you from visiting. When a chef is in his element, as Gautier is behind the stove at Palo Santo, you eat well.

Baring her soul

'All My Children' star to perform ballads and honky-tonk from debut CD at Southpaw

By Claire McTaggart
For The Brooklyn Papers

Cady McClain is used to having multiple identities. As the chameleon character Dixie Cooney on ABC's "All My Children," McClain has evoked more emotions in 13 seasons than most people experience in a lifetime. She has played a doting wife, a scandalous mistress, a protective mother, and just about every type of victim and villain that could possibly be conceived since she joined the cast in 1988.

But this year, McClain is putting the spotlight on a new character — herself. She has written — and sings all the songs on — her debut album, "BlueGlitterFish," and will perform the material live at Park Slope's Southpaw next month.

Between looking for her stolen baby and salvaging one of her six marriages for the daytime drama, McClain is planning the set list for her Fifth Avenue show.

"I love Brooklyn," gushed McClain, who familiarized herself with the borough during her stint as Rosanna Cabot on "As the World Turns," a rival soap that is filmed in Midwood.

"I still come out there a lot, especially for all the eclectic bands and the music scene," said the singer-songwriter. "There is just a great vibe in Brooklyn. I love the people that gravitate there because they seem more open-minded."

The Laguna Beach native, who now splits her time between Manhattan and Westport, Conn., said that she chose Park Slope for her gig because "the people and the atmosphere are more fitting for my style of music."

So what should you expect musically from the actress whose job entails wearing her heart on her sleeve? McClain wants to keep it clear that the experiences and emotions that saturate "BlueGlitterFish" are born from her personal life and have nothing to do with the melodrama on "All My Children," but these types of assumptions on the part of her fans are hard to avoid. McClain conceded that, so far, her musical fan base is mostly comprised of her television loyalists; and her Web site, www.cadymcclain.com, features album information and soap star gossip alike.

The album content of largely autobiographical, although there is some common ground between her own life and that of her AMC alter ego. The relationship qualms or the hardships of dealing with an alcoholic may seem like they're torn from a soap opera



NIGHTLIFE

Cady McClain will perform songs from her debut album "BlueGlitterFish" at Southpaw (125 Fifth Ave. at Sterling Place in Park Slope) on Dec. 6 at 9 p.m. Admission is \$8. For more information, call (718) 230-0236 or visit the Web site www.southpaw.com. "BlueGlitterFish" can be purchased on www.dunies.com, www.cdababy.com, or on her own Web site, www.cadymcclain.com for \$14.95.

script, but McClain approaches these songs with the sincerity and subtlety that Dixie lacks.

"BlueGlitterFish" has to do with the evolution of a woman, her subcon-

sious and her sexuality," said McClain. "It shows a world that sometimes wants to crush the delicate aspects of your character."

McClain's CD is a mixed bag of musical genres, and it doesn't evolve thematically. She switches from jazz-influenced ballads like "Cool Blue," to slapstick country songs like "Mr. Know It All." The transformation from

McClain on McClain

Cady McClain, star of "All My Children" and singer-author of "BlueGlitterFish," shared her musical influences and guilty pleasures with Claire McTaggart.

Favorite artist: Laurie Anderson. "She's a wonderful storyteller."

Currently in her CD player: Nellie McKay. "She's great for when I'm feeling pissy."

Last book she read: "Perfume: The Story of a Murderer" by Patrick Suskind. "It really expresses a world where things aren't so pretty."

Would love to open up for: Cirque du Soleil. "I'm drawn to anything that combines the art I'm trying with other types of expression, especially in a physical way."

When not acting or singing: "My boyfriend [Hunt Walk] takes me sailing on Long Island Sound. I also love dancing and going to arcades."

Hometown: Laguna Beach, Calif.
Currently lives in: Manhattan and Westport, Conn.

Favorite Brooklyn hangout: Brooklyn Academy of Music

cowgirl to poet to punk-rock feminist seems pretty natural for McClain. The singer describes her music as "eclectic pop with jazz and Latin influences," but it could also be called a mix between Joni Mitchell ballads and Dolly Parton honky-tonk.

McClain says she also gets inspiration from New Orleans, where she spent a great deal of time before Katrina devastated many of the clubs and open-air venues she used to frequent. "I'm really interested in the funeral music there, the way death can live right next to life," McClain added.

As an emerging singer, McClain seems more confident than you would expect discussing her music and taking risks; she is a chanteuse who doesn't feel compelled to put on the glitz to seduce her fans. In "Crazy Now," the last track of the album, McClain invited her boyfriend Hunt Walk — who also played her love interest on "As the World Turns" — to the studio to make music with her. Surprisingly, Walk played the spoons and beer bottles, and McClain boasted that she drank a few beers herself before belting at the end of the track.

She is proud of her album and happy with the reception she's received to date, even if she knows it is — so far — largely attributed to the visibility she's garnered for her work on daytime TV.

"Anything that is creative — poetry, collages, singing, acting — saves me," said McClain. "It is absolutely my redemption and my freedom."

EDMOND J.
SAFRA HALL

TRADITION. EXPRESSION. REFLECTION.
THIS IS Jewish Culture Downtown

PHOTO BY NANCY SCHWARTZ



Jack Marshall

Wednesday, November 29, 7 P.M.

From Baghdad to Brooklyn (Coffee House Press, October 2005)

In conversation with author Jack Marshall

Inspired by the discovery of his late father's letters, Jack Marshall's memoir is a coming-of-age story about his childhood spent in Brooklyn's Arabic-speaking Jewish community.

\$5 all tickets, FREE for members

This program is part of the Museum's book club, Looking Back, Facing Forward, co-sponsored by the Forward and moderated by its associate editor, Gabriel Sanders.



A LIVING MEMORIAL TO THE HOLOCAUST

WE ARE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK!

By Subway: 4/5 to Bowling Green, 1 to South Ferry, W/R to Whitehall St., L/M/Z to Broad St.
By Bus: M1, M6, M15, M15, M20 Discounted parking available one block north of the Museum.
To purchase tickets please call 646.437.4202. The Museum is closed Saturdays.

www.mjhnyc.org



atlantico

shoprico.com

American Leather	Fontana Arte
Atlantico by De La Espada	Maria Yee
Baronet	Mitchell Gold + Bob Williams
Bruno Marina Gallery	Robert Abbey
DellaRobbia	Thayer Coggin

rico

372 & 384 atlantic ave brooklyn 718 797 2077

art lighting furniture decor

003 Take in oak. Also in Cherry

BAC is fabulous at 40

Brooklyn Arts Council celebrated 40 years of supporting the borough's artists, arts organizations and community groups with its "Alive With Art" cocktail party at the Marriott in Downtown Brooklyn on Nov. 15.

Among the VIPs who mixed and mingled and enjoyed a performance by LAVA (pictured far right) — Sarah East Johnson's athletic dance troupe — were Academy Award winning actor F. Murray Abraham (right) and "Full Frontal Fashion" Senior Correspondent Judy Licht (center).

Licht, a Flatbush native who is married to advertising mogul-restaurateur Jerry Della Femina, and Abraham, who has taught theater at Brooklyn College for many years, were honored by BAC for their long-standing contributions to the borough's arts and cultural sector. Additional honorees included Peter Aschkenasy of Concert Foods and Erminia and Gilbert Rivera of Park Avenue Building and Roofing Supplies.

"Alive with Art" was our most suc-



cessful fundraiser to date," BAC Communications Manager Sara DeRose told GO Brooklyn about the event, which attracted 250 attendees including former mayor Ed Koch.

In addition to distributing funds to local artists and arts organizations through its grassroots Community Arts Regrant Program, BAC produces a film festival and stages art exhibitions in its DUMBO gallery at 55 Washington St. at Front Street. For more information about supporting the Brooklyn Arts Council, call (718) 625-0080 or visit the Web site www.brooklynartscouncil.org.



BROOKLYN YOUTH CHORUS
ANNUAL HOLIDAY HARMONIES CONCERT
12.02.06 ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH 7:30 PM



JOIN US FOR our 15th Anniversary Holiday Concert, featuring the world premiere of a new holiday song by composer Joel Martin as well as international carols and music by Giovanni Palestrina, Gabriel Faure, Agneta Skold, Joan Szymko, John Rutter and Clifton Noble.

TICKETS
Preferred Seating \$32 Adult General Admission \$17
Children under 12 & Seniors \$10

TO ORDER call 1.800.595.4TIX or visit <http://brooklynouthchorus.tix.com>.
For general information visit www.brooklynouthchorus.org



LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION

Remember the most important thing in Real Estate

Check here for featured listings

Licensed Real Estate Broker

Buying
Selling
Renting

184 DeKalb Ave.
(bet. Carlton & Cumberland)

(718) 222-1199

www.3laction3.com

An Exceptional meal.

MARCO POLO

Marco Polo RISTORANTE

Pioneer of the fine restaurant movement in Brooklyn

345 Court Street (at Union Street) 718-852-5015
Open 7 days for lunch and dinner • Free Valet Parking • Reservations

Visit our website www.MarcoPoloRistorante.com

ADVERTISER FOCUS

Second store for Park Avenue Building and Roofing Supplies

By Paul Koepf

for the Brooklyn Papers

What do the Time Warner Center, MoMA, and 7 World Trade Center have in common? They all should be labeled "Made in Brooklyn" because their construction relied on Park Avenue Building and Roofing Supplies.

Fortunately, homeowners can get the same supplies and service that have gone into New York City's world-famous landmarks at both Park Avenue locations — the original store in Bedford-Stuyvesant and the new location in Brownsville.

Store founder Gilbert Rivera recently hosted Borough President Markowitz and 500 other bigwigs at the grand opening of the new store on Atlantic Avenue.

The massive new location is the culmination of a 25-year dream, started with just a pickup truck and \$1,500. Now, Park Avenue is a one-stop shop for all projects, big and small, and one of the city's biggest Hispanic-owned contractors.

"We want to be a company that cuts across all lines," said CEO Bob Groeninger.

What else sets Park Avenue apart from the competition? "We'll actually load your car or truck for you, we'll pay attention to you, and our guys know what they're talking about," Groeninger said. "It's still a neighborhood store."

Rivera, who made donations to several organizations at the grand opening, has long been a community player. After helping to transform Bed-Stuy, he decided to build a facility "a couple years ahead of its time," as



Gilbert Rivera, owner of Park Avenue Building and Roofing Supplies, during the grand opening celebration on Oct. 13.

Groeninger put it, in the Ocean Hill/Brownsville area.

The \$12-million project, which includes a 40,000-square-foot warehouse and a 15,000-square-foot showroom, is expected to anchor more development along Atlantic Avenue, and create at least 50 new jobs.

Park Avenue Building and Roofing Supplies (212) Atlantic Ave. at Saratoga Avenue. Hours: Mon-Fri, 6:30 am-6:30 pm and Sat 7 am-1 pm. Call (718) 403-0100 or go to www.parkavebuilding.com for information.

Ridge Repertory Company presents

The Velvetreen Rabbit

Book and Lyrics by James Holt
Music by James Holt
Costume design by David Glick

Sunday December 3, 2006 at 1pm and 4pm
Sunday December 17, 2006 at 1pm and 4pm

For tickets call 718-836-3103 or
visit www.brooklynpapers.com
Adults: \$12 Children: \$8

Bay Ridge Jewish Center
81 Street & 4th Avenue
Bay Ridge, Brooklyn
353 Adams St. (718) 789-0400

Book your holiday party & catering

Lunch: Tues-Fri • Dinner: Tues-Sun (open Sunday at 1pm)
DINNER DELIVERY & VALET PARKING

Fine food
cooked to order

Pietro's

8727 - 4th Avenue
corner of 88th & 4th
(718) 238-8600

Seniors: 15% Discount
every Tuesday night (dine-in only)

LUCHEE

D • E • L • I • C • I • O • U • S
Chinese Cuisine & Vegetarian Nutrition

- Fast Free Delivery
- Open 7 Days a Week
- Party Orders Welcome

We Only Use Vegetable Oil
Natural Cooking
and Fresh Vegetables

162 Montague Street
Brooklyn Heights
(718) 522-5555/566
Fax (718) 522-1095 (24hr)
Mon-Thurs 11:30am - 10:00pm
Fri-Sat 11:30am - 11:00pm
Sunday 2:00pm - 10:00pm
\$7.00
100% minimum
min.

Read **GO** online
every week at **BrooklynPapers.com**



Where to GO

Compiled by Susan Rosenthal Jay

Sat, Nov 25

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

WALKING TOUR: Musical Lorence hosts the Metro Tour Service and takes a walk through Fort Greene, Clinton Hill and Brooklyn Heights. \$25. 2 pm to 5 pm. Meet at Marriott Hotel Brooklyn, 353 Adams St. (718) 789-0400.

ICE SKATING: The Wollman Rink is open. \$5. \$3 seniors and children. \$5.50 skate rental. 10 am to 1 pm, 2 pm to 6 pm, 7 pm to 10 pm. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5252.

DISCOVER TOUR: Explore the secrets of nature with naturalists from the Prospect Park Audubon Center. 3 pm to 4 pm. Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue. (718) 287-3400. Free.

PERFORMANCE

REGINA OPERA: presents Puccini's "Madama Butterfly," with a full orchestra conducted by Jose Alejandro Guzman. \$20. \$15 seniors. \$5 seniors and FREE for children. 7 pm. Regina Hall, 65th Street at 12th Avenue. (718) 232-3555. www.reginopera.org.

BARGE MUSIC: presents an enhanced classical music program featuring works by Ives, Smetana and Korngold. \$40. 7:30 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-0283.

COMEDY: Billie Holiday Theater presents the comedy "Steal Away." \$20. \$12 children and seniors. 8 pm. 199 14th St. (212) 352-3101.

GALLERY PLAYERS: presents the classic comedy "Torch Song Trilogy." \$18. \$14 children and seniors. 8 pm. 199 14th St. (212) 352-3101.

ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE: presents "Wayzack," a rock-infused, politically minded piece. \$35. 8 pm. 30 Water St. (718) 254-8775.

CHILDREN

ART MAKING: Brooklyn Museum hosts "Any Facts." Explore galleries, enjoy a family activity and create art. Appropriate for ages 4 to 7. \$8 adults, free for kids ages 12 and younger and members. 11 am and 2 pm. 200 Eastern Parkway. (718) 638-5000.

AUDUBON CENTER: Learn how animals of Prospect Park prepare for winter with hands-on activities for the whole family. Noon to 5 pm. Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue. (718) 287-3400. Free.

LEFFERTS HISTORIC HOUSE: Kids are invited to learn how to make candles, by Ives, Smetana and Korngold. \$40. 4 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-0283.

OTHER

THANKSGIVING FUNDRAISER: Brooklyn Public Library's Windsor branch presents "The Thanksgiving Dinner." 12:30 pm to 3 pm. Also, toy sale from 12:30 pm to 3 pm. 160 E. Fifth St. (718) 686-9707. Free.

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Give Thanks for John Ford." Today: "Two Rode Together" (1961). \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 2 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:50 pm and 9:15 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

JEWISH FILMS: Brooklyn Jewish Film Festival celebrates Jewish documentary films. Today: "Testing



Going once, going twice: dumbo arts center's "Winter Auction" kicks off with a preview reception on Nov. 27 and culminates with a live auction of works by various contemporary artists, including Robert Rauschenberg's untitled piece from 1984 (above), on Dec. 2.

Forces" (2001). \$5. 8 pm. 117 Remsen St. (718) 596-4840.

Sun, Nov 26

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

WILD TOUR: Naturalist "Wildman" Steve Ball leads a Wild Food and Ecology Tour of Marine Park. \$12. \$6 kids younger than age 12. Four-hour tour begins at 11:45 am. Meet at Avenue U and Burnett Street. Call to reserve. (718) 635-2153.

PERFORMANCE

BARGE MUSIC: presents an enhanced classical music program featuring works by Ives, Smetana and Korngold. \$40. 4 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-0283.

CONCERT SERIES: Music from Good Shepherd series presents The Brooklyn Brandenburgers. Donations encouraged. 4 pm. Good Shepherd Church, Avenue S and Brown Street, Marine Park. (718) 998-2800.

REGINA OPERA: "Madama Butterfly." 3 pm. See Sat., Nov. 25.

ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE: "Wayzack." 3 pm. See Sat., Nov. 25.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." \$20. 5 pm. See Sat., Nov. 25.

CHILDREN

BROOKLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM: hosts a cupcake-making workshop for families with special needs. Appropriate for ages 5 and younger. \$5. 11:30 am to 1 pm. Pre-registration necessary. Also,

"Saris and Turbans," a workshop demonstrating how to wrap fabrics and decorate a turban to take home. 3 pm to 4:30 pm. Open to ages 8 and older. 145 Brooklyn Ave. (718) 725-4400, ext. 123.

LEFFERTS HISTORIC HOUSE: Kids are invited to learn how to make candles, start a patchwork quilt and prepare old-fashioned food. 1 pm to 4 pm. Special appearance by St. Nicolas on horseback. Children's Corner, at the intersection of Flatbush Avenue and Empire Boulevard. (718) 287-2222. Free.

OTHER

THANKSGIVING COLLOQUY: Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture offers the platform: "Character." Based on Dr. Arthur Dobson's book: "Spelling God With Two O's." 11 am. 53 Prospect Park West. (718) 786-2972. Free.

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Give Thanks for John Ford." Today: "The Man Who Shot Liberty Bells" (1962). \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 2 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:50 pm and 9:30 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

MEET THE ARTIST: Clinton Hill Art Gallery presents an exhibit entitled "De Mase." Artist Paula Hausner Lefell discusses her work. 2 pm to 4 pm. 154A Vanderbilt Ave. (718) 624-5041. Free.

Mon, Nov 27

HOLocaust SURVIVOR PROGRAM: at the Kingsbay YM-YWHA. 1 pm. 3495 Nostrand Ave. (718) 486-7702, ext.

226. Free.

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Heroic: Grace E. Shaw Brothers Return." Today: "The Five Venues" (1978). \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 6:50 pm and 9:15 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

HOULAY LIGHTING: Large scale holiday lighting installations located at major gateways to Prospect Park. 6 pm. Lighting ceremony at Grand Army Plaza, Flatbush Avenue and Prospect Park West. Call 311 for information. Free.

OVERCOMING FEAR: Vagabond Meditation Center offers a talk, "No Fear: Overcoming Fear, Worry and Anxiety." 7:30 pm to 9 pm. First Unitarian Congregational Society, 46 Monroe Place. (718) 624-5466.

HOLIDAY MUSIC: Sweet Adelines Chorus meets. Call for info. (718) 331-0169.

TOY DRIVE: Bring new and wrapped toy donations to South Oxford Space during regular office hours. 9 am to 6 pm. 138 S. Oxford St. (718) 398-3078.

WINTER AUCTION: to benefit dumbo arts center. Tonight, preview reception, 6 pm-9 pm. Acquire contemporary art at below-market prices. Featured artists include Yto Kazon, Christo/Jeanne-Claude Christo, Robert Rauschenberg, Cindy Sherman and more. Preview and silent bidding. Nov. 27 Dec. 2, from 10 to 6 pm. 30 Washington St. (718) 694-0831. www.dumbartoncenter.org.

Tues, Nov 28

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Heroic: Grace E. Shaw Brothers Return." Today: "Only Ho" (1979). \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 6:50 pm and 9:15 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

NEXT WAVE: Brooklyn Academy of Music presents "Hedda Gabler." by Ibsen. Performed in German with English subtitles. \$20 to \$40. 7:30 pm. BAM Harvey Theater, 651 Fulton St. (718) 638-4100.

READING: Community Bookstore presents Stuart Miller, author of "100 Greatest Days in New York Sports." 7:30 pm. 143 Seventh Ave. (718) 783-3699. \$10. \$5 children and seniors. 7:30 pm. 143 Seventh Ave. (718) 783-3699.

ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE: "Wayzack." 8 pm. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Weds, Nov 29

THERMOMETER EXCHANGE: NY Methodist Hospital invites attendees to swap mercury thermometers with non-mercury fever thermometers at no cost. 11 am to 2 pm. 263 Seventh Ave. (718) 786-5197. Free.

OPERATION USO: Toro Restaurant hosts for the creation of packages for USO members away from home. Cocktails, concert with tenor Daniel Rodriguez and an auction. \$10. 6 pm to 10 pm. 1 Front St. (718) 425-0300.

PLAY: Long Island University presents "The House of Bernarda Alba." \$13. 7 pm. Flatbush Avenue and Delkall Avenue. (718) 488-1089.

NEXT WAVE: "Hedda Gabler." 7:30 pm. See Sat., Dec. 2. Also, BAM Digital.

LIST YOUR EVENT...

To list your event in Where to GO, please give us two weeks notice or more. Send your listing by email: calendar@brooklynpapers.com; by mail: GO Brooklyn, Brooklyn Papers, 55 Washington St., Suite 624, Brooklyn, NY 11201; or by fax: (718) 834-9278. Listings are free and printed on a space available basis. We regret we cannot take listings over the phone.

with Thomas Ostermeier, director. \$8. \$4 Friends of BAM. 6 pm. BAM Rose Cinemas, 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 638-4100.

ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE: "Wayzack." 8 pm. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Thurs, Nov 30

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Czech Modernism: The 1920s to the 1940s." Today: "The Kestrel Sonata" (1928). In Czech with English subtitles. Live piano accompaniment by Donald Sosin. \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 7 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

SCHOOL DAZE: Families First offers a talk, "Negotiating the Public School System." Learn about Region 8 and its programs, zoning variances, testing and school enrollment procedures. \$20. \$15 members. 250 Baltic St. (718) 237-1862.

PLAY: Long Island University presents "The House of Bernarda Alba." \$13. 7 pm. Flatbush Avenue and Delkall Avenue. (718) 488-1089.

RECEPTION: Safe 1 Gallery presents "Ancient Earthworks of North America," photographs by Don Burmeister. 6 pm to 8 pm. 111 Front St. (718) 782-5920. Free.

DEADLINE: Today is deadline for submission to the 10th annual Brooklyn International Film Festival. For info, visit <http://webb.org/submit>.

NEXT WAVE: "Hedda Gabler." 7:30 pm. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANN'S WAREHOUSE: "Wayzack." 8 pm. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Fri, Dec 1

World AIDS Day

HUMMINGBIRDS: Musical fun for the 3 to 5 year-old set and their caregivers. 2 pm. BAM Prospect Park Audubon Center. Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue. (718) 287-3400. Free.

HEALING TALK: Vagabond Meditation Center offers the talk "Healing Family Relationships." 2:45 pm to 4 pm. Area Yoga Center, 320 Cedar St. (718) 791-3699.

BAMCINEMATEK: presents "Czech Modernism: The 1920s to the 1940s." Today: "On the Sunny Side" (1933). In Czech with English subtitles. \$10. \$7 children and seniors. 6:50 pm. Also, "The Strike" (1947). 9:15 pm. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 777-FILM. www.bam.org.

PLAY: Long Island University presents "The House of Bernarda Alba." \$13. 7 pm. Flatbush Avenue and Delkall Avenue. (718) 488-1089.

RECEPTION: Galeria Janet Kunatowski presents "Unlabeled Numbered Series," new abstract paintings by Shane McDermid. 7 pm to 9 pm. 205 Norman Ave. (718) 383-9380. Free.

NEXT WAVE: Brooklyn Academy of Music presents "Red, Hot and Root Level: The Music and Spirit of Fela Kuti." Program celebrates music of the late Afrobeat king, Nigerian musician Kuti. \$20 to \$40. 7:30 pm. BAM Howard Gilman Opera House. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 638-4100. Also,

Continued on page 11...



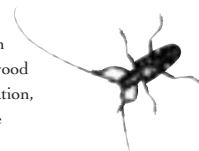
The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Asian Longhorned Beetle Cooperative Eradication Program reports that moving firewood can spread tree-killing invasive diseases and insect pests like the Asian longhorned beetle (ALB). Already, the ALB is responsible for the loss of more than 32,000 trees in New York, New Jersey, and Illinois.

Please help. Buy and use firewood locally. Don't transport it.

And remember, officials survey trees for signs of beetle infestation year 'round and may be in your area. For answers concerning surveys, wood movement, or suspected signs of beetle infestation, call the Asian Longhorned Beetle Cooperative Eradication Program.

In New York, call 1-877-STOP-ALB or 1-866-265-0501.

In New Jersey, call 1-732-815-4700. For more information, visit <http://www.aphis.usda.gov> and click on the Asian Longhorned Beetle under "Hot Issues."



The Asian Longhorned Beetle Cooperative Eradication Program is comprised of the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and Forest Service, joined in New York by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation. The USDA agencies are joined in New Jersey by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the City of Linden.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS JEWISH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 2006

celebration of the jewish documentary

Explore Jewish issues through fine films of artistic excellence and examine universal Jewish themes through post-film dialogue with directors, actors, filmmakers, critics and scholars.

B'NAI AVRAHAM

117 REMSEN STREET, BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Resisting Forces (2001)

Saturday, November 25th, 8pm
Directed by: Renee Sanders
Running time: 50 min
Admission \$5

A documentary by Dutch filmmaker Renee Sanders presenting the largely-unknown story of the Jewish Council of Encheade, a Dutch city near the German border, where Jewish Council saved more than a third of its Jewish citizens, high by Dutch standards. Encheade Council member Gerard Sanders, grandfather of the filmmaker, was one of the heroes whose courage saved many, ultimately at the expense of his own life. The film's depiction of people taking action at the risk of almost-certain death remains relevant in our own time.

Followed by a Q&A with the filmmaker

Protocols of Zion (2004)

Saturday, December 9th, 8pm
Directed by: Marc Levin
Running time: 95 min
Suggested donation \$5

Marc Levin gives us an explosive exploration of resurgent anti-Semitism in the wake of September 11th. Levin's film draws its inspiration from an encounter he had in a New York taxi not long after 9/11, in which his driver, an Egyptian immigrant, made the disturbing claim that the Jews had been warned not to go to work at the World Trade Center on the day of the attack. He then said that "it's all written in the books. The Protocols of the Elders of Zion." Levin engages in a free-for-all dialogue with Arab Americans, Black nationalists, Christian evangelists and White supremacists. Levin's confrontational conversations form a probing and provocative portrait of our so-called modern civilization caught in the grips of a most ancient hatred.

Followed by a Q&A with Simcha Weinstein (former associate of the British Film commission)

A Cantor's Tale (2006)
Saturday, December 2nd, 8pm
Directed by: Eric Greenberg Anjou
Running time: 95 min
Admission \$5

The tradition of Eastern European Jewish cantorial music is alive and well in modern America in no small part thanks to the efforts of Brooklyn-born Cantor Jacob Mendelson. Explore the American roots of "hazzanut" (Jewish liturgical music) while taking a musical voyage that spans the Atlantic. This feature-length documentary provides a nostalgic journey through family, neighborhood, and tradition. It also treats us to appearances by renowned cantors and aficionados Joseph Malwan, Ben-Zion Miller, Alberto Mizrahi, Matthew Lazan, Neil Shioff, Jackie Mason and Alan Derzhovitz.

Followed by a Q&A with the filmmaker

everybody welcome.

for more information
or to make a
reservation,
please contact levana:
718.596.4840 ext. 18

Charm'd life

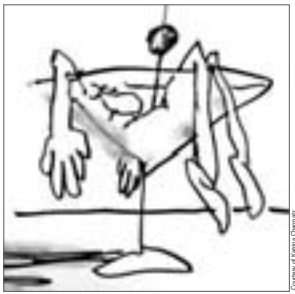
Bill Charnatz, an illustrator whose drawings have appeared on the pages of "The New York Times Book Review," "Sports Illustrated," "Time," "Esquire" and other publications for several decades before his death last September 2005, began his career on the streets of Williamsburg.

Literally. The youngest of nine children in the Ukrainian immigrant family, Charnatz honed his craft on the asphalt of his neighborhood streets.

"My developing years were spent drawing on the sidewalks of Brooklyn," he told "Graphics Today" in 1979. "Not with chalk, but broken plaster. It was always there... as much as you needed. You were limited to white, of course, but the streets were a good dark color, especially when they were wet."

The Brooklynites he saw around him inspired Charnatz's work and influenced his later approach to illustrations, the artist's daughter Katrina Charnatz told GO Brooklyn. She will present a short documentary at the Dec. 6 opening of "The Finish Line," an exhibit of 50 years of her father's work at the Society of Illustrators in Manhattan.

The documentary, "Charnatz," edited and produced by Katrina, features archival footage of the artist sketching in Central Park as well as interviews with his colleagues and friends. "The



Courtesy of Katrina Charnatz

Finish Line" presents 65 of Charnatz's famous old-time and advertisement drawings, including "Murder Murder" from "The New York Times Book Review" (above), along with previously unseen personal pieces.

The Society of Illustrators presents "The Finish Line," Dec. 6-29 at 128 E. 63rd St. The Brooklynites he saw around him inspired Charnatz's work and influenced his later approach to illustrations, the artist's daughter Katrina Charnatz told GO Brooklyn. She will present a short documentary at the Dec. 6 opening of "The Finish Line," an exhibit of 50 years of her father's work at the Society of Illustrators in Manhattan.

The documentary, "Charnatz," edited and produced by Katrina, features archival footage of the artist sketching in Central Park as well as interviews with his colleagues and friends. "The

Where to GO...

Continued from page 10...

"Heads Cabaret": 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

BURLESQUE: Kidz-off party and performance for The United Boston Burlesque Exposition, a gathering of performers and educators. \$8. 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. dance and cocktail party. \$10. 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

CUBAN MUSIC: Conjunto Guantamo performs. 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Five Front Restaurant, 5 Front St., between Dock and 2nd Fulton streets. (718) 625-5552.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

Sat., Dec. 2

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ICE SKATING: The Wolman rink is open, \$5.50 seniors and children, \$5.50 adult rental. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 287-5552.

FLATBUSH WALK: Brooklyn Center for the Urban Environment hosts a tour. \$11. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

WALKING TOUR: Mauricio Lorance hosts the Metro Tour. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Prospect Park. (718) 636-4100.

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC PRESENTS: "Heads Cabaret." 7:30 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

COMEDY: "Steal Away." 5:17 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

ST. ANNE'S WAREHOUSE: "Witch." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Torch Song Trilogy." 8 p.m. See Sat., Dec. 2.

HEALTH, MIND & BODY

DENTISTS

General & Cosmetic Dentistry

Root Canal • Extractions
Periodontal Work • Crowns
Bridges • Veneers • Veneers
Bleaching • Dentures • Implants
Advanced sterilization
and infection control.

Jack Irwin, D.D.S.
414 Seventh Avenue
(bet. 13th & 14th Sts.)
718/768-8372
www.jackirwindds.com

Evening Hours Mon-Fri
Most Insurance & Union Plans
accepted as full or partial payment.
MetLife, UFT, DCU, PBA, Delta, Blue Cross,
Aetna, CIGNA, Unicare, Guardian, Healthplex,
Aligna, Bilt, Fund, United Concordia, Ameritas.

We've Moved!

PARK SLOPE FAMILY DENTISTRY
— 245 Fifth Avenue —
between Carroll & Garfield

- Emergency Service
- Pediatric Dentistry
- Root Canal Therapy
- Implant Restorations
- Laminate • Bleaching
- White Fillings • Bonding
- Fluoride • Sealants
- Cleanings • Crowns
- Bridges • Dentures
- Non-Surgical Gum Care

**Dr. Andrew Warshaw
Dr. Sari Rosenwein
Dr. Doug Pollack**
Hours by Appointment
Sat. & Eve. Available

Free Consultation
24 Hr Phone Service

Financing Available
Insurance Plans Welcomed

789-5700

Now in Park Slope!



FINEST DENTAL CARE

Superior Services for Adults & Children
New! Periodontist (gum specialist) on premises.

10 Plaza St. East, Suite 1F
(bet. Flatbush & Vanderbilt Aves)
(718) 622-8020

Affordable Family Dentistry in Modern Pleasant Surroundings

State of the Art Sterilization (autoclave)
Emergencies treated promptly

Special care for children & anxious patients

WE NOW ACCEPT OXFORD

- Tooth Bleaching (whitening)
- Cosmetic Dentistry, Porcelain Facings & Inlays, Bonding Crowns & Bridges (Capping)
- Painless, Non-Surgical Gum Treatment
- Root Canal • Extractions • Dentures • Cleanings
- Implant Dentistry • Fillings (tooth colored)
- Stereo headphones • Analgesia (Sweet air)

Dr. Jeffrey M. Kramer
544 Court Street, Carroll Gardens
624-5554 624-7055

Convenient Office Hours & Ample Parking
Insurance and insurance plans accommodated

Quality Dentistry

Gentle care in our ultra-modern office

- Cosmetic Dentistry
- Reconstructive Dentistry
- Gums & Implants
- Bleaching
- Nitrous Oxide (Sweet Air)
- Cosmetic Laminates & Bonding
- Advanced Sterilization
- Behavior Modification
- Sealants
- Fluoride
- Preventative Dentistry

RONALD I. TEICHMAN, DDS

Saturday & Evening Hours
357 Seventh Avenue at 10th Street
768-1111

TOOTH PAIN...

... may be a debilitating and life-disrupting entity. My name is Dr. Jeff C. Strachan, practicing clinical dentistry for more than twenty years. I can relieve your affliction quickly, and in most cases, the same day.

Jeff C. Strachan, DDS (718) 783-0504

189 Montague St., Suite #800A, Brooklyn Heights
www.strachandds.com

Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri: 9am to 6pm; Saturday: By appointment only

DENTISTS



COURTEOUS AND COMPREHENSIVE DENTAL CARE
Provided at our new spacious, modern and friendly office

Providing Excellence in All Phases of Dentistry

COSMETIC DENTISTRY: Porcelain Laminates, Tooth Color Fillings, Metal Free Crowns, Porcelain Inlays, Onlays, Tooth Whitening
IMPLANT DENTISTRY: Surgical Placement and Restoration

PERIODONTICS: Non-Surgical and Surgical Treatment of Gum Disease

ROOT CANAL THERAPY: Using State of the Art Rotary Instrumentation

COMPUTERIZED DENTAL X-RAYS

CROWNS, BRIDGES, PARTIAL & FULL DENTURES

Emergency Patients are seen on the same day!

EUGENE D. STANISLAUS, D.D.S.

LAMUEL A. STANISLAUS, D.D.S.

189 Montague Street, Suite 800B - 8th Floor
Brooklyn Heights • Telephone: (718) 857-6639

OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT

SKIN CARE

LOOK GREAT FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Safety • Results • Value

ULTRASONIC FACIALS, MICRODERMABRASION

"Tina" Laser Collagen Reduction Laser Genesis

Laser Resurfacing Laser Hair Removal

Laser Skin Resurfacing Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

Facial Laser Laser Skin Resurfacing

BROOKLYN BRIEFS

The Gaul!

France honors BAM leader who doesn't even speak French

The Brooklyn Papers

The Republic of France dubbed Brooklyn tres chic this week, when it bestowed Brooklyn Academy of Music President Karen Brooks Hopkins a medal as a Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters, or Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.

And she doesn't even speak French.

"I have high school French," she said.

Of course, the award, given out this week, wasn't based entirely on language skills.

The Order was created in 1957 to say "merci" to those who contribute to French arts, be they French or just Francophile.

"Thanks to BAM, just about every seminal performing artist and company from France has found a home in Brooklyn," explained Karen Rispal, the embassy's Cultural Counselor.

Roughly two hundred people — and a disproportionately low number of Brooklynites — got the medal every year.

Brooks Hopkins was honored on Monday night at a Manhattan ceremony complete with champagne, a Michelangelo nude, and her family.

Brooks Hopkins was thrilled.

"If you're going to receive an honor, to get it from the nation of France is spectacular," she said.

So is the medal.

"It's green and white, it's a circle, with points that stick out from it, it says 'La Republique de la France,' and it makes me feel important," said Brooks Hopkins.

How important is subject to the vicissitudes of artistic opinion.

Prior winners include Brooklyn novelist (and former Frenchman's woman) Jerry Lewis (who is even more beloved by the French than Gerard Depardieu) and Robert Redford (whom every woman wants to French kiss).

— Dana Rubinstein

Suit to block IKEA

for The Brooklyn Papers

Swedish furniture giant IKEA may soon find that assembling a new store in Red Hook is about as easy as assembling one of their chairs.

The Municipal Arts Society has used the Army Corps of Engineers to stop it from allowing IKEA to destroy a Civil War-era ship-repair facility slated to become a parking lot.

The facility — also known as a "graving dock" — is "a virtually irreplaceable piece of maritime infrastructure," the MAS argued in its suit, filed last Friday in Brooklyn federal court.

Not to mention that there's plenty of land available to accommodate IKEA, said Art Society spokesman Brian Connolly.

Truce Ratner wants to build 10 skyscrapers, a park and a sports arena in the same amount of space as IKEA (will need for a store and a parking lot), he said. "They should be able to do it without the dock."

The Army Corps of Engineers, which did not return calls, has argued in the past that the dock is no longer needed. The MAS suit names the Army Corps of Engineers and not IKEA because the Corps largely controls waterfront resources.

Until it closed last year to make way for IKEA, the dock was one of two repair facilities in the city that could accommodate large ships.

Now boats — even city Department of Sanitation barges — must go out of state for repairs, said Connolly, who called the dock "a necessary part of Red Hook's economy."

"IKEA's actions have resulted in the loss of high-skilled, high-paying jobs on Brooklyn's waterfront," he said. "But there were no jobs" at the graving dock.

IKEA spokesman Joseph Roth disputed that, calling the lawsuit "an unfortunate attempt to delay a project that will create hundreds of new, high-quality jobs for Brooklyn residents."

It's not the first time that the historic pier has been seen as a silver bullet to kill the IKEA project.

In 2005, community activists sued, arguing that the dock was a vital part of Red Hook's working waterfront. But that suit was dismissed — in part because the judge found that the graving dock was "undamaged."

But Connolly disagreed.

"There was a backlog of work" at the graving dock. And beyond that, it's a link to Brooklyn's glorious nautical past.

"It dates back to the Lincoln administration," he said.

— Christie Risk

JIMMY...

Continued from page 1

around in my attic, I called Jimmy.

He set me up with a catch-and-release cage, some peanut butter for bait, and told me to check it every night.

But what do I do after we catch it? I asked Jimmy.

"Well, that's the tough part," he told me. "If there's any suspicion of rabies — any at all — we're required to kill it. Most guys down 'em. You give me a call, I'll take care of it."

You gonna kill it Jimmy? I wondered.

And that's when Jimmy spilled his guts.

"Ya know, some guys, they just don't have the heart," he told me. "It's one thing to kill an insect, but it's something else to have to do in a big animal like that. So some guys will take them over to Jersey. But they're good swimmers, so if you leave 'em in Jersey, they swim right back through the Arthur Kill. But if you dump them out by the Belt Parkway, over by Bay 50th Street, they can't get back across the Narrows."

But you wouldn't do that, Jimmy — you know, conveniently drop off Staten Island raccoons on your way to the stationhouse in Brooklyn — would you?

"Nah. These things are breeders. You could end up populating the whole borough."

It's almost 10 years later, and Jimmy is gone. He passed away earlier this year, just a couple years into his retirement. We miss him dearly.

This week, raccoons were spotted in Carroll Gardens.

If you ask me, Jimmy would never hurt a one of them. If you ask me, they're part of Jimmy's legacy.

As senior editor of The Brooklyn Papers, Vince DiMiccio's responsibilities are too numerous to list.



Borough President Markowitz (right) with Brent Baker, CEO of Tri-state Biodesel, at a recent "Green Brooklyn" conference at Borough Hall. The beep is holding a beaker of biodesel fuel.

Beep seeks greener M/C

The Brooklyn Papers

Air conditioning season is over, but for Borough President Markowitz, it's just beginning.

In a letter released this week to The Brooklyn Papers, Markowitz implored Texas-based air conditioning company Friedrich to start thinking green.

"I believe the time is long overdue for companies like yours ... to look towards solar-energy-powered air conditioners to significantly reduce the strain on our electric grid," Markowitz wrote back in September.

"Obviously I'm not a scientist, but I really believe ... it would make sense to look into solar panels as a potential solution to this increasing problem."

Markowitz has recently made a habit of talking green.

At his second annual Green Brooklyn conference earlier this month, he said that his recent tourism-boasting trip to London made him green with envy.

"London is leagues ahead of our city," said Markowitz. "And for any city to be ahead of our city — in anything — is intolerable."

Friedrich spokeswoman Jane Denning threw cold water on Markowitz's initiative.

"I'm not aware of any research into solar power," she said.

But the indefatigable Markowitz isn't giving up. "I'll follow up. Luckily for us, the national sales manager lives in Brooklyn."

Corporations like Friedrich and Carrier may not be on board, but lesser known manufacturers, like Solacool and Sun Utility Network, have already begun exploring the concept.

As a result, Eric Denby, Markowitz's spokesman, said his boss would keep pushing the issue — as well as other green initiatives.

"People hear 'green' and they think of Sierra Club and Al Gore — not that there's anything wrong with that," said Denby.

"We're trying to make this stuff relevant to people of all backgrounds. This is about people recognizing that actions have consequences."

— Rubinstein

Get rid of bad NY gas

for The Brooklyn Papers

California may be three hours behind New York, but when it comes to protecting the environment, the east coast may be light-years behind.

Now one Brooklyn lawmaker wants the Empire State to emulate the Golden State and drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Encouraged by what he calls "the west coast blueprint," Assemblyman William Boyland, Jr. (D-Crown Heights) has introduced a bill that would set deadlines for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and also cap those emissions beginning in 2012.

But unlike California — whose law would cut emissions back to 1990 levels by the year 2020 — Boyland did not specify the level to which he wanted New York to return.

It is signed by future Gov. Spitzer (ooh, that feels weird to type), state residents would be given a list in 2007 of ways they can reduce their own gases before government action kicks in the next year.

Many details remain to be worked out — and Boyland's bill faces stiff opposition. California's law was signed this fall by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger (ooh, that feels even weirder to type) despite outcry from the energy and auto industries.

Boyland is very optimistic about the bill's chances. Though Spitzer's office didn't return phone calls, Boyland said he's spoken with Spitzer about the issue, and that the future head-of-state was "very interested."

"I give it a 99-percent chance," Boyland said.

— Christie Risk

RACCOONS...

Continued from page 1

have been no rabid raccoons in the borough since at least 1992, according to the city Department of Health.

Nearly all of the city's 203 rabid raccoon cases have been in Staten Island or the Bronx.

Dozens of blocks away from Green-Wood Heights, in Carroll Gardens, the rodents have been provoking emotional responses.

Mary Tarsio, a resident of Third Street between Smith and Hoyt streets, had a run-in with a raccoon that left her shaken.

"I bent down to put my hand under the screen door and pull in the cat food dish I leave out for the stray cat," explained Tarsio.

"And then, right next to my face was this large raccoon. It jumped at the screen door, and I went crazy. My husband came running, and we started making all kinds of noise." Ultimately, the raccoon ran away.

"I was afraid it was rabid."

But Rash Leslie, one of Tarsio's neighbors, said, "The only thing rabid is her imagination."

"He was probably just lunging for the cat food."

Leslie saw the raccoon for the first time last week, when the raccoon crawled over a fence and down a pipe into his backyard, and then ran away in fright.

Leslie said the raccoon looked "happy and healthy," and he should know, having grown up down south, where he regularly went 'coon hunting with his family. His grandmother even had a pet raccoon named Pety who lived to the ripe old age of 12.

"They're essentially oversized cats," he said.

But before anyone starts taking matters into his own hands (or traps), the state Department of Environmental Conservation emphasized that raccoons — which are "important fur-bearing" — are protected by state law.

"No one may possess a raccoon without a license, and licenses are not issued for pet wildlife. Hunting or trapping raccoons requires a license," according to the Department Web site.

Lost O'Connell, an agency spokeswoman, put her own spin on what might be causing the raccoon population explosion.

"In urban areas, they're nearly wholly dependent on non-natural food, like garbage. They go where the food is."

O'Connell stressed that there are few dangers from raccoons aside from property damage and the occasional case of rabies.

And a rabid raccoon would be obvious.

"They're uncharacteristically walking," said O'Connell. "A healthy raccoon is more agile and able to run

The Brooklyn Papers

HOME IMPROVEMENT CLASSIFIEDS

continued from back page

Rubbish Removal

FIVE STAR CARTING INC.

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL

Serving All of NYC

- Carting & Garbage Removal
- Clean-Outs • Roll-Off Service
- Shredding/Record Destruction
- Construction Debris Removal

FAST SERVICE **718 349-7555** FREE ESTIMATE

Mention Brooklyn Papers For Special Service Rates In Your Area

Stairs

Cee Dee PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTORS

FLOOR SANDING ALSO AVAILABLE

Broken or Missing Balusters/Spindles
Weak or Broken Steps (Treads, Stringers or Risers)

Call: 718-893-4006

Tree Service

JC TREE SERVICE

Serving all the 5 Boroughs

FREE ESTIMATES All Phase of Tree Work

- Tree Removal
- Stump Grinding
- Pruning
- Free Load of Wood Chips

COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL 24 Hr. Emergency Service

718 896 2158

Rubbish Removal

EAGLE Rubbish Removal Inc.

(718) 871-0997

Residential • Commercial

Great Neighbors! References

Servicing Contractors, Homeowners & Business

Professional Clean Up Crew Available

Clear-Out of All Kinds: Tires, Appliances, Stoves, Washers, Dryers, A/C Units, etc.

• Clean, Shiny Trucks • Friendly, Uniformed Staff

Commercial Sites Welcome!

Demolition

All Size Containers

Serving the Community

Member: Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce

Proper & Professional • 24 Hr. Service

(866) MR. RUBBISH 677-8224

CD: LIC-1180 Fully Insured

10th Year with The Brooklyn Papers

Greg's Express Rubbish Removal

GREG'S EXPRESS RUBBISH REMOVAL

We do it all! The Leading Rubbish Removal Service in NYC

• Old Frig & Appliances

• Office, Home & Yard Clean-Ups

• Construction & Renovation Debris

• Bulk Removal: Tires, Stoves, Washers, Dryers, A/C Units, etc.

• Clean, Shiny Trucks • Friendly, Uniformed Staff

Commercial Sites Welcome!

Demolition

All Size Containers

Serving the Community

Member: Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce

Proper & Professional • 24 Hr. Service

(866) MR. RUBBISH 677-8224

CD: LIC-1180 Fully Insured

10th Year with The Brooklyn Papers

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Upholstery

• Livings Room Furniture
• Kitchen and dining chairs
• New foam cushions
• Slipcovers
• Window treatments and verticals
• 100% Polyester
• Free Estimates

Perfect Touch Decorators

718-263-8383

30 yrs experience • Serving 5 Boroughs

Windows

Quality Replacement Windows and Repairs

Repair ALL TYPES of windows. Screens and insulated glass. Free PEEK UP AND DELIVER IN BROOKLYNE BROOKLYN! (Minimum quarterly)

Custom Window Installation Licensed & Insured • Reasonable Rates

Call Rene (718) 227-8787

Wood Stripping

• 100% OFF Full Scale • 50% OFF Single panel DOORS • 50% OFF BATHS • 50% OFF KITCHENS • 50% OFF BEDROOMS • 50% OFF LIVING ROOMS • 50% OFF HALLWAYS • 50% OFF PORCHES • 50% OFF PATIOS • 50% OFF GARAGES • 50% OFF DRIVEWAYS • 50% OFF FENCES • 50% OFF GUTTERS • 50% OFF ROOFS • 50% OFF SIDS • 50% OFF STAIRS • 50% OFF TILES • 50% OFF WALLS • 50% OFF FLOORS • 50% OFF CEILING • 50% OFF BASEMENTS • 50% OFF ATTIC • 50% OFF CRAWL SPACE • 50% OFF MECHANICAL • 50% OFF ELECTRICAL • 50% OFF PLUMBING • 50% OFF HVAC • 50% OFF INSULATION • 50% OFF DRAINAGE • 50% OFF SEWER • 50% OFF WATER • 50% OFF GAS • 50% OFF OIL • 50% OFF ELECTRIC • 50% OFF TELEPHONE • 50% OFF CABLE • 50% OFF SATELLITE • 50% OFF ANTENNA • 50% OFF RADIOS • 50% OFF TV • 50% OFF VCR • 50% OFF DVD • 50% OFF CAMCORDER • 50% OFF MP3 • 50% OFF MP4 • 50% OFF MP5 • 50% OFF MP6 • 50% OFF MP7 • 50% OFF MP8 • 50% OFF MP9 • 50% OFF MP10 • 50% OFF MP11 • 50% OFF MP12 • 50% OFF MP13 • 50% OFF MP14 • 50% OFF MP15 • 50% OFF MP16 • 50% OFF MP17 • 50% OFF MP18 • 50% OFF MP19 • 50% OFF MP20 • 50% OFF MP21 • 50% OFF MP22 • 50% OFF MP23 • 50% OFF MP24 • 50% OFF MP25 • 50% OFF MP26 • 50% OFF MP27 • 50% OFF MP28 • 50% OFF MP29 • 50% OFF MP30 • 50% OFF MP31 • 50% OFF MP32 • 50% OFF MP33 • 50% OFF MP34 • 50% OFF MP35 • 50% OFF MP36 • 50% OFF MP37 • 50% OFF MP38 • 50% OFF MP39 • 50% OFF MP40 • 50% OFF MP41 • 50% OFF MP42 • 50% OFF MP43 • 50% OFF MP44 • 50% OFF MP45 • 50% OFF MP46 • 50% OFF MP47 • 50% OFF MP48 • 50% OFF MP49 • 50% OFF MP50 • 50% OFF MP51 • 50% OFF MP52 • 50% OFF MP53 • 50% OFF MP54 • 50% OFF MP55 • 50% OFF MP56 • 50% OFF MP57 • 50% OFF MP58 • 50% OFF MP59 • 50% OFF MP60 • 50% OFF MP61 • 50% OFF MP62 • 50% OFF MP63 • 50% OFF MP64 • 50% OFF MP65 • 50% OFF MP66 • 50% OFF MP67 • 50% OFF MP68 • 50% OFF MP69 • 50% OFF MP70 • 50% OFF MP71 • 50% OFF MP72 • 50% OFF MP73 • 50% OFF MP74 • 50% OFF MP75 • 50% OFF MP76 • 50% OFF MP77 • 50% OFF MP78 • 50% OFF MP79 • 50% OFF MP80 • 50% OFF MP81 • 50% OFF MP82 • 50% OFF MP83 • 50% OFF MP84 • 50% OFF MP85 • 50% OFF MP86 • 50% OFF MP87 • 50% OFF MP88 • 50% OFF MP89 • 50% OFF MP90 • 50% OFF MP91 • 50% OFF MP92 • 50% OFF MP93 • 50% OFF MP94 • 50% OFF MP95 • 50% OFF MP96 • 50% OFF MP97 • 50% OFF MP98 • 50% OFF MP99 • 50% OFF MP100

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

YOUR LOCAL AGENT

Brownstone Brooklyn

We Know Brooklyn Best

All Points Real Estate
A full-service brokerage matching property owners with prospective tenants and buyers
Specializing in Brooklyn's Brownstone Neighborhoods.

- Brooklyn Heights •Carroll Gardens •Park Slope
- Borough Hill •Prospect Heights •Fort Greene
- Cobble Hill •Clinton Hill •Bed-Stuy
- East Williamsburg/Bushwick.

Check out our inventory: **ALLPOINTSRE.COM**

All Points Real Estate
80 Livingston St. (near Court Street)
(718) 858-6100

Midwood

LOOKING TO BUY? OR YOU JUST WANT TO RENT - GIVE US A CALL!

We specialize in most pre-war, elegant buildings, fully furnished with renovated kitchen complete with brand new appliances and stunning cabinetry. These spectacular apartments are accented by plenty of light that reflects off the beautiful finished hardwood floors and freshly painted walls.

•Selling in other Brooklyn Neighborhoods:
•BAY RIDGE •BROOKLYN •DUMBO •PROSPECT HEIGHTS •CROWN HEIGHTS
We offer complete coverage of the Greater NYC Area
MANHATTAN QUEENS BRONX WESTCHESTER

MaxxRealty.com
1-888-751-8500
Managing the Best Buildings on the Block

MORTGAGES

Mortgages made to order. That's Topdot!

Call Rebecca to discuss your mortgage needs. Your neighbor for over 30 years!
800.562.6152 x284

topdot

introducing a fresh concept in owning your business space

COMMERCIAL LOFTS

Brooklyn

introducing a fresh concept in owning your business space

141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Julia Stolford. My present name is: Yulissa Davidson Stolford aka Julia Stolford. My present address is: 527 Avenue Z, Brooklyn, New York 11223. My place of birth is in Omaha, Nebraska. My date of birth is January 5, 1990.

Notice is hereby given that an Order entered by the Civil Court, Kings County on the 16th day of November, 2006, bearing Index Number NS00952006, a copy of which may be examined at the Office of the clerk, located at CIVIL COURT, KINGS COUNTY, 141 Livingston Street, Brooklyn New York 11201, in room 007, grants me the right to: Assume the name of Francis Maria Cordova. My present name is: Francis Maria Cordova-Cordova aka Francis Maria Cordova. My present address is: 121 George Street, Brooklyn, New York 11237. My place of birth is in Brooklyn, New York. My date of birth is June 28, 1972.

AGENTS

SELL WITH SUCCESS!

Over \$30 million in home sales in the last two years

Call Ellen Gottlieb
Assoc. Broker
Brooklyn Bridge Realty
211 Court St.
917-797-1351

www.brooklynbridgerealty.com

APARTMENTS

For Rent / Brooklyn

Apartments, Sublets
BROWSE & LIST FREE!
All Cities & Areas!

www.Sublet.com

Studios • 1-2 Bedrooms • 1-2 BDR FOR RENT

To Share / Brooklyn

Sheephead Bay

Private room for rent. Share kitchen & bath. Female preferred. Call (917) 231-8763.

COMMERCIAL SPACE

DUMBO

STUDIO SPACE

Art Studio Share • \$250 • DUMBO, Brooklyn • Beautiful multi-user space with open plan floor. Includes wireless, utilities. No excessive noise, dust, smell. No living. Come see it! Email: studioinny@yahoo.com

CO-OPS & CONDOS

For Sale/Brooklyn

Bay Ridge

Must see. Many 2 BR condos. 1 block to Shore Road w/parking & Ocean Views. Call Agent, (917) 575-1776.

BAY RIDGE, OPEN HOUSE

Appt 27 Decmber building 43 m open today renovated. New electric and plumbing. New kitchen w/woodwork cabinets, ceramic floor, new appliances, granite counter, jeans, bath w/white tile 2BR, large LA, foyer for dining area. Beautifully landscaped frontage. \$499,000. RE (718) 745-2692.

Carroll Gardens

Tiffany Place • Newly constructed apt. 1 large BR, 1000 sq ft. 1 bath, lg living room, 14ft ceilings. Doorman. Large Health club. Huge sun deck. Parking. Asking \$550K. Call Michael (718) 249-3855. Chevrolet & Assoc. Realty.

SPECTACULAR PRE-WAR BUILDING

8701 Shore Road • Express Bus to Manhattan • 2.5 car garage • 1400000 VIEWS from every room. Eat in Kitchen w/Dishwasher and new appliances • Large Bedroom with Fireplace. Pet Friendly Building • Park Right across from the Building. Also you may have the Option to Rent at \$2,500 a month. Bridgeview Realty at (718) 745-2692.

HOUSES FOR SALE

New York

Yonkers

For Sale • 4 BR House in Yonkers, price \$650,000. Newly renovated. ground floor - 3BR, 2 baths. 1st floor - 3BR, 1 bath. 2nd floor - 4 BR, 1 bath. Approved for Section 8.

HOUSES FOR SALE

New Jersey

Howell, NJ

OPEN HOUSE Nov. 11, 2pm, Nov. 12, 1-4pm. 47 Daniels Way, Howell, NJ 07033. Stunning Brick Front Colonial. 4BR, 2.5 bath, 2 car garage. Partial fire basement. Over sized deck. Low maint. Backyard. Asking \$150K. BUYER INCENTIVE - Seller to contribute \$10K towards down payment. Call owner (201) 751-9804. View Home @ www.realestate.com

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

Renter's Insurance
Only \$12.66 - Everyone Qualifies \$10,000 coverage against fire and flood-tenancy fee

INSURANCE

INSURANCE

INSURANCE

Out of the office but still within reach! Please call

Rental Agents

Sandy Biano 718.999.4114 sbiano@biano.com

Maryann Albano 718.999.4114 malbano@biano.com

Janice Cimberg 718.999.4114 jcimberg@biano.com

Bette Cunningham 718.999.4114 bcunningham@biano.com

Marion Dowling 718.999.4114 mdowling@biano.com

Aryn Drake-Lee 718.999.4114 adrakelee@biano.com

Maria Malecz 718.999.4114 mmalecz@biano.com

Trish Martin 718.999.4114 tmartin@biano.com

Sue Plotz 718.999.4114 splotz@biano.com

Isabelle Rebois 718.999.4114 irebois@biano.com

Julie Rhinehart 718.999.4114 jrhonehart@biano.com

Ellen Richter 718.999.4114 erichter@biano.com

Charlie Ruoff 718.999.4114 cruoff@biano.com

Libby Ryan 718.999.4114 lryan@biano.com

Lee Solomon 718.999.4114 lsolomon@biano.com

Andrew VanDusen 718.999.4114 avandusen@biano.com

Jessica Viola 718.999.4114 jviola@biano.com

Maria Walker 718.999.4114 mwalker@biano.com

Rosalee Weider 718.999.4114 rweider@biano.com

Jeffrey Welch 718.999.4114 jwelch@biano.com

Zach Williams 718.999.4114 zwilliams@biano.com

Please pardon our office appearance during the construction.

718-230-5500

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Architects

VIOLATIONS REMOVED • BASEMENT & CELLAR LEGALIZATIONS •
 Renovations/Edgeworks/Residential/Decks/Industrial/Commercial/Design
 25 Years of Quality Service & Experience
JUST ARCHITECTURE
 (718) 855-1237
 E30-25

Bathrooms, Kitchen & Tile

For (718) 987-0935
ISLE TILE
 Installations of All Ceramic Tile, Marble, etc.
 Custom & Commercial
 Free Estimates • Chris and Gerry
 7 Days a Week
 (718) 987-8896
 A30-02

John Costelloe

Plumbing and Tile Work. Toilets, faucets and shower bodies replaced. Specializing in tile jobs - large and small. Free Estimates • Reasonable Rates
 John Costelloe (718) 768-7610
 A30-26

Bathroom, Kitchen & Tile

A & K Tile Studio
 Kitchen and bath designers on staff
 Great selection of porcelain, ceramic, marble, onyx, granite, mosaics, borders, glass, metal, Talavera tile. We have Marble, Granite, Soapstone, Slate, Limestone, Onyx, Stainless Steel, Corian, Silestone, Zodiax, Caesar Stone, Onyx and Ice Stone for countertops.
336 9th Street
 (bet. 5th and 6th Aves.) Bklyn, NY
 (718) 369-6873
 Open 7 days a week
 www.AKtilestudio.com
 Mon thru Fri: 10:00am - 6:30pm
 Sat: 10am - 5pm • Sun 11am - 3pm
 A30-29

Carpentry

Carpentry Plus
 • Closets • Kitchens • Sheet Rock
 • Taping to Finish • Painting
 • Hardwood Floors • Wall Units
 • Window Installation • Tile Work
 Dependable with references
 Kevin (718) 331-9251
 attentivedomestics.com
 A30-29

Wood Specialties

We install molding & crown, install and fix doors, build walls. We also do painting & plastering.
 Call Maggie (347) 385-4728
 www.warwar-painting.com
 A30-28

Carpet Cleaning

AMERICAN CARPET CARE
 Serving Your Community 33 Yrs
 Carpet & Upholstery
 Safe for Kids and Pets
 Satisfaction Guaranteed
800-246-5934
 Shampoo & Steam Cleaning
 For Best Results Possible
 FREE BOTTLE OF OUR "MIRACLE" SPOT REMOVER WITH EVERY JOB
 A30-02

Cleaning Services

Attentive Domestics
 • Housecleaning • Move In/Out Cleanings
 • Party Help • Pavers • App'l Services
 • Office • Residential
 • Let us maintain your hallways!
 Banded and insured
 (212) 620-0101 • Inland
 A30-04

Thurphy's Maids

Est. 1980
 "Old Fashioned Irish Cleaning"
 Specializing in:
 • All Phases of Domestic Service
 • Residential and Commercial
 Gift Certificates Available
718-278-3334
 A30-28

Decks

DECKS R US
 Custom Decks
 Roof Decks • Deck Finishing
 Pool Decks • Trex Easy Care
 Garden Decks • A.C.Q. Plan
 Deck Restoration • Hardwood
 Power Washing • P.V.C. Decking
 Licensed • Bonded • Insured
1-800-983-DECK
 (11-800-983-3325)
718-227-2629
 www.1800983deck.com
 A30-28

Decks

DECKS by Bart
 ROOF • GARDEN • TERRACE
 Free Estimates
 Call Bart:
 15+ years experience
 We build year round
 "Flat Deck"
 (718) 284-8053
 800-YES-4-DECK
 Design Assist. Available
 www.decksbart.com
 A30-27

Demolition

N & M DEMOLITION
 Hauls Free! We Do It All!
 No Permit! No Dumpster!
 No Labor Needed!
 All types of Rubbish Removals
 Cleanout Bldg. Removal Backyard Etc.
 FREE ESTIMATES!!
 www.NMDemolition.com
 (718) 351-6273
 A49/30-18

Excels Builders & Renovators Inc.

(718) 624-5300
 Restoration • Bath • Kitchen
 Brownstone Renovations
 www.excelsbuilders.com
 A30-15

Pisgah Builders Inc.

Specializing in Carpentry, Drywall, Plastering, Tile Work & Window Surfaces
 Call (718) 450-1851
 X (718) 277-1943 E Heron@aol.com
 Fully Insured • Lic#PS34440
 A30-10

Yahoo Restoration Corp.

Residential • Commercial
 • Waterproofing • Roofing • Tiles
 • Back & Basement Work
 • All Restorations including Construction
 No Job Too Big or Too Small
 Free Estimates • Please Call Mike
 (718) 251-5575 • Cell (947) 403-4654
 A48

Ready, Willing & Able Home Improvement, Inc.

"No Job Too Big or Too Small"
 Kitchens, Baths, Basements, Steel Entry Doors, Sheetrock, Windows, Painting, Siding, Extensions, Roofing & More
 (718) 236-9466
 Lic. # FREE ESTIMATES Insured
 896711 Office: 6419 Bay Parkway
 A30-27

Timeless Construction and Restoration, Inc.

Continuing two generations of time craftsmanship in the downtown Brooklyn area.
 SPECIALIZING IN ALL PHASES OF INTERIOR RENOVATIONS
 Complete Rehab • Kitchens
 Baths • Finished Basements
 Painting • Plastering
 All Floors and Tile
 Finish Carpentry
 15th or with The Brooklyn Papers
 License #HIC099754 and Insured
718-979-0913
 A49

KNOCKOUT RENOVATION

DESIGN • PRODUCTS • REMODELING
 Residential Remodeling Specialists
 Complete Home Interior and Kitchen remodeling
 License# 1207599
 View previous projects @
 www.knockoutrenovations.com
718-745-0722
 A30-29

Cleaning Services

ENLIGHTENED CLEANING SERVICE, INC.
 Complete Cleaning
 Move Out/Move In Clean-Up
 Office • Residential
 • Let us maintain your hallways!
 Banded and insured
718-573-4165
 A30-02

To advertise please call

(718) 834-9350
 A30-28

Electricians

BOTTEK ELECTRICAL CORP.
 "No Surprises" Protection • 24 hour / 7 day Service
 • 100% Guaranteed • Clean, Courteous Service
 www.BottekElectrical.com
 We Install or Repair Everything Electric
 CALL NOW... Help is On the Way!
 SAME DAY SERVICE
1-888-BOTTEK-2
 2 6 2 8 3 5 2
 A30-27

We understand how hard it is to find a great electrician who values your time.

• We charge by the job, not by the hour
 • Our trucks are stocked with thousands of parts, so 90% of the work is done on the spot.
 • Technicians specializing in repair and upgrades of older homes built before 1980.
 • Saturday appointments available.
 • 100% money back guarantee.
 • Mention this ad and save \$25.
Christopher John
 Electrical Inc.
 Call 718-389-9898
 www.ChristJohn.com
 A30-08

Electricians

PT Installations
 Electrical Contractor
 Licensed & Insured/Residential Commercial
 Licensed electrician, interior lighting, track lighting, violations removed, AC line, adequate wiring, fan installation, 48-hour specialists, custom lighting, 24-hour emergency service.
 Call Nick (718) 331-3210
 A30-03

Electricians

ALECTRA INC.
 Have an electrical problem?
 No job too big, no job too small
 Call me, Anthony Iliano
 Licensed electrician
718-522-3893
 A48

Firewood

FIREWOOD FREE SERVICE
 All Seasoned Hardwood
 • Premium •
 • Ready to Burn •
(718) 954-4105
 A30-08

Exterminators

ANY HOUSE EXTERMINATING INC.
 Residential • Commercial • Industrial
 • Rodents • Roaches • Fleas
 • Water Bugs • Bed Bugs
 Use The Company with the Scientific Approach
(718) 443-9134
 www.AnyHouseExterminator.com
 Don't Be Bugged, Call NOW!
 Fully Licensed and Insured
 A30-27

Floor Maintenance

EXTREME Hardwood Floors
 Installation • Sanding • Refinishing
 All work guaranteed
 Free Estimates
718-972-1984
 A30-01

D & K FLOOR SERVICE

Parquet • Hardwood Flooring
 • Installation • Refinishing • Staining
 Large Selection of Laminated Flooring
718-720-2555
 Fully Guaranteed • 2 Year Service
 Serving Broome/Brooklyn
 Licensed • For over 25 years • Insured
 A30-42

Master Flooring

Installation • Refinishing • Staining
 All Kinds of Hardwood Floors
 52.50/SF
 Laminated Floor 11.25/SF
 Free Estimates
 Call Tim (347) 278-0331
 A30-02

Handyman

SURE THING HANDYMAN SERVICES
 Painting • Carpentry • Masonry • Plastering Restoration
 Paper Hanging • Ceramic Tile Work • Stone Gardening
 BUILDING MAINTENANCE AVAILABLE
 PROFESSIONAL & RELIABLE • ALL WORK GUARANTEED
 Call Robert 718-249-6928 • rcobthst@verizon.net
 A30-21

Handyman

KBM Contracting
 Bathrooms • Carpentry
 Tiling • Decks • Windows
 Flooring • Siding • Doors
 Painting • Heating
 Violations Removed
 FREE ESTIMATE
 (718) 763-0379
 Insured, Insured
 A30-26

CALL NED

Plastering • Roofing • Sheetrock
 Ceramic Tile • Carpentry
 Cement Work • Painting
 Wallpaper • FREE ESTIMATES
718-871-1504
 A30-05

Competitive Handyman

Interior Custom Work, Installation Door Lock, Ceiling and Base Molding, also Plastering, Painting, Wallpaper Hanging and Remolding. Free Estimate. Call Yefim.
 Office (347) 729-0202
 Cell (646) 220-6368
 A30-29

Movers (Licensed)

MOVING YOUR WAY
 Moving Co. T33315 584 6th Av
 LICENSED/INSURED
718-788-4920
 Free Estimate & Box Delivery
POSITIVELY LOWEST PRICES!
 A30-01

MOVERS

We do last minute jobs!
 Expert packers
 Packing materials • Fully insured
 • Prompt • Careful
TOP HAT MOVERS
 25 Ave. C • Park West Bklyn, NY 11215
718-965-0214 • 718-622-0377
 212-722-3390
 A30-01

Painting

Painting \$100 per room
 2 coats • free minor plastering
 From \$100. Reliable & Clean.
 Quality Fences & Fencescaping
 Days: 1 (917) 371-7086
 Eves: 1 (917) 921-2932
 A30-03

Painting

SUNSHINE INC.
 NYS Registered 1974
718-748-6990
 Int./Ext. • Comm./Resid.
 Painting • Plaster • Sheetrock
 Guaranteed Lowest Prices
 Bonded • Insured • Lic# 0933304
 www.sunshinepaintingny.com
 A30-03

Master Plasterer/Painter

Old Walls Saved
 Repair, Install, Mouldings, Skim Coats
 Excellent References
718-834-0470
 A30-12

Piping

JENNIFER MECHANICAL
 A PIPING & HEATING COMPANY
 24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICE
 Commercial • Residential
 All Plumbing Repairs & Replacement
 Waterlines & Sewer lines Replaced & Repaired
 Water Heaters & Boiler Installation Repair & Service
 • Clogged Drains • High Velocity Jetting
 • In-Line TV Inspection
 Toll Free: 866 554 3329 Local: 718 769 5400
 A30-24

Plumbing

ZAV PLUMBING & HEATING LLC
 24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICE
 Residential (718) 332-8511 Commercial
 • Boiler Installation & Repair • Oil to Gas Conversion • Radiant Heating Design
 • Hot Water Heaters Replaced • Boiler Controls & Trouble Shooting
 • All Types of Heating Systems & Radiators Installed & Repaired
 • Annual Boiler Inspection • Violations Removed • Water or Gas Leaks Repaired
 Insured **(718) 332-8511** Lic#22011
 A30-01

Plumbing

NEIGHBORHOOD SEWER & Drain Cleaning
 800 Plumbing NYC
 TUBS • SINKS • MAIN SEWER
 TOILETS • YARD DRAINS
 24/7 • Emergency Service
745-7727 or 848-5654
 • LOW, LOW, PRICES •
 A30-29

ALL ABOUT PLUMBING & HEATING

• Fully Licensed & Insured!
 • Complete Expert Plumbing, Heating & Drain Cleaning
 • Boiler/Water Heaters Replaced & Installed, Leaks Fixed, Bathrooms Remodeled
 • Watermain & Sewers Installed/Repaired
 • Reasonable Rates •
 • All Work Guaranteed •
 • 24/7 Emergency Service •
(718) 273-1388
 NYC Master Plumber
 Lic#9171
 A30-09

Project Managers

SÉAMUS HENCHY
 AND ASSOCIATES
 PROFESSIONAL PROJECT MANAGERS
 We can assist you in managing your design, construction & renovation projects to result in a successful outcome.
 We have been representing owners for 25 years to ensure that their capital projects are delivered on time & on budget.
212.431.7175
www.sghenry.com
 A30-17

Mark's Roofing

All types of roofing
 15 years experience on all roofs
(718) 477-6191
(917) 498-6591
 Ask for Mark
 Insured & Licensed #1156783
 A30-15

MORE Home Improvement

Classifieds on inside page